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The Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan



Proceedings 1937

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Particular attention is called to the Approved Rulings and Notices of Motion contained in this copy.

The Thirty-second Annual Communication of Grand Lodge will be held in the City of Prince Albert, on Wednesday, the Fifteenth day of June, nineteen hundred and thirty-eight.

Proceedings of the
**M. W. Grand Lodge of
Saskatchewan**

Ancient, Free & Accepted Masons

AT THE

**THIRTY-FIRST
ANNUAL COMMUNICATION**

HELD AT

Moose Jaw on the 16th Day of June, 1937



ORDERED TO BE READ IN ALL LODGES AND PRESERVED

MARK MUSK

Grand Master 1937-38

Our present Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Mark Musk, was born in London, England, on January 22nd, 1867, and in undertaking the responsible position of chief head and ruler of the Craft has the advantage of many years of valuable experience.

On leaving school he came to Canada for a short holiday but was so impressed with the country that he decided to make it the land of his adoption, and has resided in the Dominion ever since. Accepting employment soon after his arrival with a wholesale tobacco house, which line of business he has followed consistently to date, he made steady progress and in due course became attached to the firm of Johnstone & Boone, Limited, Fort William, Ont. His activities with that organization included the establishment of branches at Edmonton and Saskatoon. Ultimately he disposed of his interests in that Company, took up residence at Prince Albert and in 1919 founded "Musk & Company, Limited" of which he is the President, and in which fair city he still makes his home.

As a citizen of Prince Albert he has faithfully discharged his duty to the community: it was only this year that he retired as alderman after eight years continuous and untiring service. However, he still remains an active member of the Board of Trade and is closely associated with many other local endeavours which have for their object the upbuilding and betterment of his home city. He is a member and an elder of Wesley United Church.

M.W. Bro. Musk was married in 1898 at Kenora, Ontario to Miss Rose Hemstead of Toronto who passed away in 1931. His family consists of three sons and one daughter.

His masonic career began in 1905 with his initiation in Pequongia Lodge No. 414, A.F. & A.M., G.R.C., Kenora, Ontario, of which lodge he was the S.W. at the time of his change of residence to Fort William, Ontario. Shortly after settling in Prince Albert he affiliated with Prince Albert Lodge No. 63; was installed as its W.M. in 1924; became D.D.G.M. of District No. 1 in 1930. The Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan honoured him in 1934 by electing him Grand Junior Warden and he has since creditably performed the duties of that and the various succeeding offices entrusted to him, culminating in his elevation to the Grand Mastership in June, 1937.

Our Grand Master enjoys a reputation for capable executive ability coupled with a keen sense of humor, almost Irish. In spite of this, things must be correctly stated and perfectly accomplished before they suit his idea. A firm faith in God and his fellowman combine to qualify him admirably as a leader both in civic and Masonic circles where at all times he displays the courage of his convictions. Among the brethren, particularly of District No. 1 his name is symbolical of zeal and devotion to the Craft. During the past year he has spent five months in Great Britain where he took advantage of many opportunities to observe and study Freemasonry in its purest form: the benefits of this experience will be reflected in his associations with the fraternity wherever he may go. Those who can best judge by long friendship are confident that his term of office will yield a record which will prove the wisdom of his brethren in their choice of Grand Master.—J.O.C.



M.W. BRO. MARK MUSK
GRAND MASTER, 1937

Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan A.F. & A.M.

PROCEEDINGS: ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

The Thirty-first Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A. F. & A. M., convened in the Technical High School, in the City of Moose Jaw, at 9:00 a.m., on Wednesday, June 16th, 1937.
Present:

THE GRAND MASTER

M.W. Bro. James Wilfred Estey, on the Throne

THE DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

R.W. Bro. M. Musk

PAST GRAND MASTERS

M.W. Bros. W. B. Tate, J. McCauley, R. Young, N. B. Williams, J. W. MacNeill, W. J. Smith, W. M. Martin, J. Orville Clarke, C. P. Moore, J. McGregor, F. B. Reilly, N. R. Craig, J. R. Yorke.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

R.W. Bros. W. R. A. Orton (1), A. McArthur (2), J. U. Thoroughgood (3), A. W. Ingram (4), M. W. Coxworth (5), J. C. Martin (6), A. J. Bater (7), H. M. Connor (8), C. S. Hewitt (9), A. G. Buck (10), J. M. Scott (13), W. G. Bock (14), C. Stackhouse (15), E. F. Richardson (16), J. Sinclair (17).

Grand Senior Warden	S. C. Burton (186)
Grand Junior Warden	H. M. Underhill (110)
Grand Treasurer	A. C. Garner (154)
Grand Secretary	W. B. Tate (6)
Grand Registrar	A. O. Brooks (77)
Grand Chaplain	T. H. Sendall (136)
Grand Senior Deacon	C. C. Gillis (176)
Grand Junior Deacon	A. Binnie (168)
Grand Director of Ceremonies	M. Fritshaw (76)
Grand Superintendent of Works	J. K. Pomeroy (52)
Grand Tyler	D. MacGregor (104)

GRAND STEWARDS:—A. E. Hokanson (117), A. Shotter (184), G. S. Croley (162), V. N. Squire (140), T. H. Porter (126), A. Gustofson (98), L. Douslin (192).

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

Arizona—S. C. Burton	Florida—J. R. Young
British Columbia—Robt. A. Tate	Idaho—J. A. Newman
Colorado—A. G. Rawlinson	Illinois—C. P. Seeley
Connecticut—W. G. Robinson	Iowa—N. B. Williams
Costa Rica—H. S. Craig	Ireland—W. B. Tate
District of Columbia—A. Stewart	Kansas—W. M. Martin
England—J. McCauley	Maine—G. W. S. Eisnor

Michigan—C. P. Moore	Porto Rico—H. M. Underhill
Minnesota—C. H. Boyd	Quebec—J. A. Mooney
Missouri—J. Orville Clarke	Rhode Island—Loy S. Sifton
Montana—W. J. Smith	Rio de Janeiro—J. E. Rodney
Nebraska—M. Musk	Scotland—R. Young
New Jersey—G. G. Grant	South Australia—E. Mitchell
New York—J. Wilkinson	South Carolina—J. C. Carter
New Zealand—F. B. Reilly	South Dakota—F. C. Wilson
North Carolina—A. M. Bell	Tennessee—J. McGregor
North Dakota—J. R. Yorke	Utah—F. A. Dunk
Nova Scotia—N. R. Craig	Washington—A. O. Brooks
Ohio—A. C. Garner	West Australia—E. C. Bird
Philippine Islands—W. E. Jennings	
Prince Edward Island—J. W. MacNeill	

REPRESENTATIVES CONSTITUENT LODGES AND PAST MASTERS

- No. 1—Kinistino, Prince Albert; J. N. Smith, Robt. Young, J. T. Tomlinson, J. McMillan, J. W. Horton.
- No. 2—Wascana, Regina: F. B. Reilly, T. G. Thomson, E. G. Hingley, R. W. Neely, H. C. M. Brown, W. M. Martin, J. McIntosh.
- No. 3—Moose Jaw, Moose Jaw: L. C. Boyle, J. McCauley, J. Wilson, W. H. Davidson, C. H. Banks, T. Whitehead, W. R. Shanklin, C. W. Crichton, J. Smith, W. Keay, C. J. Broderick, J. H. Laird, H. Brimble, G. A. Stirk, A. S. Pipes, A. L. McIntosh, T. H. Pendlebury, H. H. Bamford.
- No. 4—Qu'Appelle Valley, Fort Qu'Appelle: W. S. Stiff, T. P. Hipkin, F. A. Dunk.
- No. 5—Indian Head, Indian Head: F. O. Burrill, E. R. Boone, J. F. Hunt, J. G. Davidson, L. A. Hubbs, W. H. Gibson.
- No. 6—Qu'Appelle, Qu'Appelle: W. B. Tate, A. G. Rawlinson, F. J. Truran, P. J. Harris, G. Pomeroy, J. H. Lee.
- No. 8—Ashlar, Whitewood: J. A. Baskie, J. W. Francis.
- No. 9—Maple Leaf, Maple Creek: A. F. Gilchrist.
- No. 10—Evening Star, Grenfell: H. G. A. Willcox, E. E. Tomlinson, L. Niblock.
- No. 11—N.W.M.P., Regina: Robt. A. Tate, B. G. Stead, S. Lexier, J. D. Watson.
- No. 12—Yorkton, Yorkton: E. A. Crosthwaite, T. E. Cavanagh, P. B. Coleman.
- No. 14—Sintaluta, Sintaluta: E. Mitchell.
- No. 16—Saskatchewan, Saskatoon: H. G. Gilding, F. E. Smith-Jones, G. G. Donnell, J. McDougal, J. W. Estey.
- No. 18—Melfort, Melfort: G. W. Thorne, L. Humeston.
- No. 19—Battle, Battleford: W. L. Clink, H. S. May, J. W. MacNeill.
- No. 20—Weyburn, Weyburn: G. Lythgoe, C. P. Moore, A. W. Nickle, C. H. Stuart, C. Robertson.
- No. 21—Arcola, Arcola: H. M. Connor.
- No. 24—Wolseley, Wolseley: A. W. Ingram.
- No. 26—Swift Current, Swift Current: W. H. Field, W. A. McPhail, A. MacIntosh, W. B. Milburn, D. A. Kane, J. MacKay.
- No. 31—Ionic, North Battleford: C. A. Rounseville, J. H. Best, H. R. Wilford, J. E. McLarty.
- No. 32—Golden Rule, Pense: J. A. Chapman, J. Taylor, H. Haylor, G. Troup, J. R. Wood, R. J. Morrison, A. E. Ferguson, J. Scott.
- No. 33—Davidson, Davidson: G. S. Bygraves, M. W. Coxworth.

- No. 34—Lang, Lang: C. E. Wight, F. M. Perkins, H. E. Downing, J. M. Martin.
No. 35—Prince Rupert, Humboldt: H. Smethurst.
No. 36—Bruce, Francis: W. G. Robinson.
No. 37—Wapella, Wapella: F. E. McAlpin.
No. 39—Boscurvis, Oxbow: W. Noble, W. E. Allen, W. L. Morrish, G. S. Hames, W. O. Fraser.
No. 40—Rouleau, Rouleau: E. E. Johnston, H. J. Reid, W. C. Mackin, J. W. Archibald, A. E. Fowlie, E. Charles, H. S. Craig, E. L. Plank.
No. 41—Drinkwater, Drinkwater: G. N. Ferguson, G. B. Howard, E. M. Carey.
No. 42—Caron, Caron: W. A. Forsyth, G. Clemens, P. W. House, W. R. Green, J. E. A. Spearman, J. E. Jeary, J. E. Orr, P. M. Moynes.
No. 44—Landmark, Lashburn: W. S. Cooper.
No. 47—Cupar, Cupar: A. R. Towndrow.
No. 49—Assiniboia, Regina: D. Fraser, J. H. McKay, T. L. Elliott.
No. 52—Border, Gainsborough: J. K. Pomeroy.
No. 53—Nanatah, Balcarres: A. Moffatt, J. F. White, E. Greenfield, H. Robb.
No. 56—Elbow View, Elbow: J. D. McNair.
No. 57—Prairie, Wilkie: G. U. McRae, W. C. Wells.
No. 59—Canora, Canora: D. L. Rowntree, F. G. Garvin.
No. 60—Imperial, Saskatoon: C. P. Seeley, J. McGregor, J. F. Marlow, A. S. Hammersley, J. E. Cowie.
No. 62—Melville, Melville: H. C. Kennedy, H. MacKay.
No. 63—Prince Albert, Prince Albert: F. J. Stevens, M. Musk, W. H. Speers, S. J. A. Branion, G. H. Lyne.
No. 64—Manitou, Watrous: H. J. Hodge, V. R. Code, P. R. Albright, H. McCreddie.
No. 65—Outlook, Outlook: J. C. Carter.
No. 66—Wynyard, Wynyard: E. E. Bolton.
No. 67—Eyebrow, Eyebrow: G. M. Emmons, C. Brown, J. L. Charteris, A. I. Lerner.
No. 68—Govan, Govan: J. O. Clarke, J. Wilkinson, D. L. Dance, E. Lekness, H. S. Neeley.
No. 69—Carrot River, Kinistino: R. J. M. Humphrey.
No. 70—Cypress, Gull Lake: W. P. Adam.
No. 71—Doric, Moose Jaw: J. U. Thoroughgood, P. J. H. Warren, J. C. McDonald, C. Hart, N. R. Craig, J. Newton, S. R. Stephens, H. Johnson, F. Hill, J. Sharpe, C. H. Boyd.
No. 72—Corinthian, Lumsden: P. D. Allen, P. R. Taylor.
No. 73—Unity, Unity: J. M. Scott, W. Dempster.
No. 74—Kilwinning, Adanac: A. M. Bell.
No. 75—Harmony, Perdue: H. R. Robertson.
No. 76—Tisdale, Tisdale: A. M. Fritshaw, P. E. Wright.
No. 77—Abernethy, Abernethy: A. O. Brooks, G. Grant, R. T. Motherwell, G. M. McKay, A. Williams, E. W. Hartle, D. Roszell, N. B. Williams.
No. 78—Tugaske, Tugaske: T. King, E. G. Colwell, W. Matheson.
No. 79—Foam Lake, Foam Lake: H. J. B. Pendlebury.
No. 80—Connaught, Windthorst: P. W. Doak, W. R. Clark.
No. 81, Tuscan, Semans: E. P. Congdon, E. F. Richardson, A. Richardson.
No. 82—Victoria, Alsask: C. M. K. Parsons.
No. 84—Lanigan, Lanigan: C. Stackhouse.
No. 85—Zealandia, Zealandia: A. F. McFaull.
No. 88—Briercrest, Briercrest: H. A. Stephenson, H. L. Stromberg, B. T. Jaques, C. M. Jaques.

- No. 89—Twin City, Sutherland: J. Gentles, G. Addison.
No. 90—Kerrobert, Kerrobert: J. E. Rodney, A. K. Murdock.
No. 91—Rosetown, Rosetown: A. Wilson, D. Lawrence, H. M. Granville.
No. 92—Lodge Progress, Saskatoon: C. F. Moon, A. Milne, J. Mackie.
No. 94—Maryfield, Maryfield: C. S. Hewitt, R. T. Kirkpatrick.
No. 96—Yellow Grass, Yellow Grass: R. H. McLaughlin, J. A. Johnstone, D. L. Hart, W. E. Maidens.
No. 98—Union, Kelliher: R. E. Wyatt, A. Gustofson.
No. 102—Invermay, Invermay: J. E. Parkinson.
No. 104—King Hiram, Regina: M. L. Moyer, J. Wilkie, S. S. Doan, W. B. Chinn, J. Uprichard, J. A. Mooney, C. L. Smith, J. A. Newman, W. H. Edinburgh.
No. 105—Gothic, Luseland: J. S. Duncan.
No. 106—St. John's, Assiniboia: G. H. Glover.
No. 107—Mortlach, Mortlach: G. F. Savage, A. Dunlop, A. K. Halliwell, C. B. Martin, W. Clark.
No. 108—Long Lake, Liberty: C. E. Tannahill, A. T. Pryor.
No. 109—Limerick, Limerick: W. E. Jennings, H. W. Wheeler, W. John-son.
No. 110—Shaunavon, Shaunavon: H. M. Underhill, W. J. Smith, D. J. Nicholson, H. R. Robinson.
No. 111—Aneroid, Aneroid: G. V. Card, F. Fleck.
No. 112—Woodrow, Woodrow: G. W. S. Eisnor, A. Stewart, J. C. Cram.
No. 114—Central Butte, Central Butte: H. Duffin.
No. 116—Ceylon, Ceylon: E. R. Davis.
No. 117—Dundurn, Dundurn: A. E. Hokanson.
No. 119—Cabri, Cabri: J. S. Backus, F. F. Fowler.
No. 120—Ogema, Ogema: H. Hartley, D. R. Lister.
No. 122—Azure, Eastend: W. G. Bock.
No. 124—Mount Hermon, Pennant: C. N. E. Medforth, E. Housego.
No. 125—Latomia, Weyburn: J. C. Martin, S. Rodgeron, A. J. Ring, J. D. MacKay, O. S. Black.
No. 126—Cadillac, Cadillac: T. H. Porter, R. W. Atkinson.
No. 127—Birch Hills, Birch Hills: W. R. A. Orton.
No. 128—Meyronne, Meyronne: D. Dorgan, A. M. McCaslin.
No. 129—Mossbank, Mossbank: C. C. Shattuck, C. Clark, W. Patterson.
No. 130—Togo, Togo: J. Jira.
No. 132—Conquest, Conquest: E. Martin.
No. 133—Philathea, Nokomis: F. D. Morris.
No. 136—St. George, Moose Jaw: T. H. Sendall, R. Rohead, C. A. Smith, J. McAllister, J. R. Yorke, M. R. Ballard, G. F. McCauley, T. W. McPhail, W. E. Weston, J. Hart, T. Underhill, W. W. Snider.
No. 137—Tyrian, Edam: J. Thomson.
No. 138—Kincaid, Kincaid: W. Simington, G. W. Pomeroy, M. Eggen, W. A. Harper.
No. 139—Riverhurst, Riverhurst: G. C. McKenzie, B. Pomeroy.
No. 140—Sceptre, Sceptre: W. J. McKenzie, W. A. Campbell, V. N. Squire, G. Baird, J. Wilson.
No. 141—Progressive, Tompkins: C. A. McEwan.
No. 142—Leader, Leader: R. Loudon, F. E. Priebe, H. A. Dowler, J. L. Gaffield.
No. 143—Hawarden, Hawarden: C. Pettman, H. T. Kelly, C. R. Asay.
No. 144—Victory, Saskatoon: A. Greaves, J. R. Young, J. T. Truscott, T. Guest, C. J. Johannes.
No. 145—Elfros, Elfros: J. J. Bole, J. Barber.
No. 146—Asquith, Asquith: R. J. Green.
No. 148—Dunblane, Dunblane: J. Sinclair.
No. 151—Viscount, Viscount: D. P. Morris.

- No. 152—Star City, Star City: M. S. Mooney.
No. 154—Banner, Regina: A. C. Garner, H. Taylor, J. G. Robertson,
J. Bogie, C. Mead.
No. 155—Raymore, Raymore: J. Nottingham.
No. 157—York, Churchbridge: L. Keene.
No. 158—Borden, Borden: S. Ferguson.
No. 160—Cut Knife, Cut Knife: W. A. Brown, H. J. Bell, J. M. Barclay,
H. A. Phillips.
No. 162—Saltcoats, Saltcoats: G. S. Croley, E. A. Branion.
No. 163—Fillmore, Fillmore: F. C. Wilson.
No. 164—Milestone, Milestone: A. McArthur, M. R. Van Velzer, C. F.
Tindall.
No. 165—St. Luke's, Plenty: H. M. Earle, J. A. Handy, D. J. MacCrim-
mon.
No. 167—Preeceville, Preeceville: A. G. Buck.
No. 168—Earl Grey, Earl Grey: A. Binnie, J. A. Macdonald.
No. 170—Sharon, Bateman: G. C. Broome, E. Marriott, W. J. Cummings,
R. Dayman.
No. 172—Memorial, Moose Jaw: T. C. Borrodale, P. J. Moon, L. S.
Sifton, H. D. Pickett, R. Mayes, F. J. Gilmour, J. Agnew,
C. M. Nixon, W. H. Mayhew, E. G. Lamb, J. S. S. Hendry.
No. 174—St. Andrews, Regina: E. C. Bird, W. Leslie, W. E. Simmonds,
W. S. Arrowsmith.
No. 175—Radville, Radville: O. D. Stitt.
No. 176—Gray, Gray: A. E. Staton, C. C. Gillis, R. L. Ketchen, R. E.
Miller.
No. 178—Norquay, Norquay: I. Goldstein.
No. 181—Tuberoose, Tuberoose: O. D. Jacobs, W. E. Constable, R. J.
Farrend, I. H. Pittman.
No. 183—Nipawin, Nipawin: W. Connell, W. Pace, A. D. Brown.
No. 184—Osage, Osage: J. W. Cooper, A. Shotter, R. F. Swinton, J. W.
Ivany.
No. 185—Loyalty, Ruddell: A. J. Bater, T. Sawyer.
No. 186—Emulation, Regina: S. C. Burton, J. W. Rosborough.
No. 187—Lucky Lake, Lucky Lake: A. C. Coulter, W. McLean.
No. 189—Herschel, Herschel: R. T. Lawson, O. J. Turl, J. McKenzie.
No. 190—Turtleford, Turtleford: A. Ayre.
No. 192—Sovereign, Sovereign: L. Douslin, J. V. Greer.
No. 193—Mazenod, Mazenod: E. P. Line.
No. 196—Lacadena, Lacadena: F. H. Helme.
No. 199—Admiral, Admiral: H. Elliott, T. H. McKim.
No. 200—Hudson Bay, Hudson Bay Junction: J. Foster.

WELCOME

His Worship the Mayor of the City of Moose Jaw, Bro. Harris S. Johnstone and Most Worshipful Bro. N. R. Craig, representing the Moose Jaw City Lodges, in brief but fitting addresses extended a most cordial welcome to the officers and members of Grand Lodge.

Right Worshipful Bro. S. C. Burton, Grand Senior Warden, briefly acknowledged the welcome of His Worship the Mayor and Right Worshipful Bro. H. M. Underhill, Grand Junior Warden, expressed appreciation for the welcome extended on behalf of the Moose Jaw City Lodges.

OPENING OF GRAND LODGE

A constitutional number of Lodges being represented by their accredited representatives, Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form and the Grand Chaplain implored the blessing of the G.A.O.T.U. upon its deliberations.

The Grand Master gave permission for all Master Masons in good standing, properly vouched for, to be admitted as visitors.

On motion of M.W. Bros. J. McCauley and J. R. Yorke it was resolved that: "The minutes of the last Annual Communication of Grand Lodge held in the City of Saskatoon on June 17th and 18th, 1936, as printed in the Proceedings and distributed, be taken as read and confirmed."

On motion of M.W. Bros. W. B. Tate and W. J. Smith, it was resolved that: "Printed copies of the regulations for the government of Grand Lodge being in the hands of all representatives, they be taken as read and adopted."

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

The following distinguished visitors were then formally introduced:

R.W. Bro. R. Hawkins, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba was presented by M.W. Bro. C. P. Moore.

M.W. Bro. C. C. Hartman, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta was presented by M.W. Bro. J. W. MacNeill.

The Grand Master cordially welcomed our distinguished guests, intimating that they would be given an opportunity of addressing Grand Lodge before the sessions closed, after which Grand Honours were accorded.

RECEPTION—GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

The M.W. the Grand Master requested the Grand Representatives of Sister Jurisdictions near the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan to assemble at the Altar where they were welcomed by the Grand Master, who stressed the importance of the office of Grand Representative in maintaining the spirit of close fraternal relationships as between Sister Grand Jurisdictions. The Grand Master requested them to extend to the various Jurisdictions which they represented the kindest greetings and felicitations of this Grand Body.

M.W. Bro. W. M. Martin, on behalf of the Grand Representatives present, acknowledged the cordial welcome and in doing so referred to the universality of Freemasonry and assured the Grand Master that they would be proud to convey greetings to the respective Grand Lodges which they represented.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

The M.W. the Grand Master delivered the following address, which, on motion of M.W. Bros. J. O. Clarke and J. McGregor, was referred to the Committee on Grand Master's Address and Jurisprudence:

Brethren, I welcome you to this our Thirty-first Annual Communication of Grand Lodge. It should be a success in every detail. The programme contains much of interest and importance to the Craft that will engage your attention and require your most careful consideration during the sessions. The hours of recess and leisure we have placed with every confidence at the disposal of our hosts, the brethren of Moose Jaw. We hope our plans have been so laid that "profit and pleasure may be the result."

At our last Annual Communication you made me the recipient of the high office of Grand Master, a position that is at once an honour, which I have sincerely appreciated and a responsibility of which I have been conscious and of which I well knew I could only discharge with the kind and sympathetic co-operation of the members of this Grand Jurisdiction.

I am delighted, at the conclusion of the year, to acknowledge without reservation the time, thought and effort put forth by every Mason of whom a request was made to further the interests of Grand Lodge, and I am equally conscious of the fact that many others would have responded in the same splendid spirit had a like request been communicated to them. It is this wholesome spirit of active brotherhood and a genuine desire to implement that spirit by every type of effort that I am glad to report to be general throughout this Grand Jurisdiction. The type of goodwill and desire to serve that has made Masonry worth while in the past and which will continue to do so in the future.

His Gracious Majesty King George VI, became King of Great Britain and Ireland, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Emperor of India, Defender of the Faith, on December 10th, 1936. We record with interest and delight that his Majesty received his first degree in Masonry in Navy Lodge No. 2612, London, England, on December 2nd, 1919. He received his further degrees and was Wor. Master of that lodge in 1921. His interest in Masonry caused him to affiliate with Bard of Avon Lodge No. 778. He was Grand Senior Warden of the United Grand Lodge of England in 1923 and Provincial Grand Master for Middlesex in 1924. He indicated his further interest by affiliating with Glamis Lodge No. 99, in Scotland. The Wor. Master of Glamis Lodge, at that time the village postmaster, enjoyed the honour of presenting the then Duke of York, and now His Majesty, with a Masonic apron. At the Bicentenary Celebration of the Grand Lodge of Scotland in November, 1936, he was installed as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Scotland.

Upon his accession to the Throne His Gracious Majesty followed the practice established by previous Sovereigns, resigned all active offices and assumed the position of Patron of the Grand Lodge of Scotland and of the various institutions under the United Grand Lodge of England. We pledge our loyal support to His Gracious Majesty King George VI. May the Great Architect of the Universe guide and direct him. Long may he reign as King and Defender of the Faith. God Save King George VI, God Bless Queen Elizabeth!

District Meetings

It was my pleasure to be in attendance at all but two of the district meetings. At the meeting in District No. 13 in Macklin M.W. Bro. J. W. MacNeill was kind enough to represent your Grand Master, and in District No. 3 at Moose Jaw M.W. Bro. N. B. Williams very kindly served in the same capacity. This year a practice suggested in previous years was adopted whereby the visits at the larger centres were not made until the fall, the others being made as usual in the month of July. It is true that for parts of the province July is a more convenient time of the year but on the other hand where it is equally convenient that the meeting be held in the fall the extreme heat is avoided and the meeting more pleasant and more beneficial to the members in attendance.

The district meetings were all well attended and it was obvious the District Deputies were entering upon their duties in a serious and interested manner. The papers read were well prepared and during the instruction period questions asked indicated a very sincere desire that all the work in the respective lodges should be perfected. The papers upon the relation of Masonry and the Church indicated thoughtful and careful preparation and made a distinct contribution to every meeting and undoubtedly provoked a good deal of thought on the part of those in attendance.

The Grand Secretary attended all of the district meetings and, in spite of extreme heat and the long journeys, was always at his post to lead in discussion, to exemplify and explain the work and to answer ques-

tions. Our Grand Secretary has served this Grand Jurisdiction in this capacity for over a period of twenty-one years and the reception he received was a splendid tribute to him personally and the service he has rendered. At every meeting there was much to indicate the high esteem he enjoys in the minds of the Masons throughout this Grand Jurisdiction.

These district meetings are of first importance. They are designed to inform, encourage and inspire the officers and members of the constituent lodges. Every officer should be in attendance and take some part. This end, with unavoidable exceptions, is fairly well attained. It could be improved. In the final analysis attendance is for the officer a matter of his own decision but I suggest his absence, without good cause, is evidence of lack of responsibility on his part. I believe every officer who desires to develop his Masonic point of view, enlarge his Masonic vision and enrich his Masonic enthusiasm cannot deny to himself the privilege and benefit of attendance thereat.

I want to particularly express my gratitude to past and present Grand Lodge officers for their attendance at and participation in these district meetings. It is one of the many ways in which senior members and past Grand Officers can serve their respective districts and lodges. I am satisfied it provides encouragement to the officers and indicates the permanent worth of Masonry.

I appreciate the efforts and achievements of our District Deputy Grand Masters. These difficult times make for more work and greater problems in many of the Districts. I am deeply grateful to our District Deputy Grand Masters for the splendid manner in which they have discharged both the usual and unusual or extra duties of their office. Their reports will, in due course, be submitted to you. I suggest that you read them and observe for yourselves the variety of Masonic activity we enjoy in this Grand Jurisdiction.

It was my pleasure on September 30th, with the Grand Secretary, to attend the Dedication Service of the Masonic Temple of Azure Lodge No. 122, at Eastend. Eastend is situated in one part of this province that has suffered over a period of seven years because of drought. Notwithstanding the difficulties and hardships endured in that community members of that lodge moved by their zeal and devotion to the Craft procured a site and a building. The latter they remodelled, by their own effort at a minimum of cost, and which, when finished, is admirably suited to meet the needs of a Masonic Lodge. Nothing could be more indicative of Masonic strength and worth than this achievement on the part of the members at Eastend. The Dedication Ceremony and functions associated therewith had been well planned and every detail provided for with care. This effort was commended on all sides and as a consequence 126 members representing 24 lodges gathered at Eastend to be in attendance at the ceremony of dedicating this temple. Brethren from the United States were there, brethren from Alberta were there and brethren representing many points in the south-western portion of this province. The committees had obviously worked harmoniously and well, and all were rejoicing in an effort completed in spite of great difficulties. Throughout the meeting there was a spirit of commendation and enthusiasm and I quote the words of the Worshipful Master, Bro. P. H. Armstrong:

"The Masonic enthusiasm throughout the district, in the writer's opinion, is the result of the pride each committee exhibited in carrying out its work, this not only applies to the dedication ceremony alone, but to the work in connection with the purchase of the property, the construction, and eventual payment in full of our Eastend Masonic Temple."

This effort might well be duplicated in many parts of this province. I congratulate the brethren of Eastend. I commend their zeal and devotion to the consideration of every lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction.

On November 19th it was my pleasure to attend Moosomin Lodge No. 7 when it appropriately celebrated its Fiftieth Anniversary. The Grand Secretary accompanied me upon this occasion and contributed much to the meeting. The reading of the history of that lodge brought back to the minds of the brethren there resident many of the early incidents and indicated many of the difficulties that were overcome in the past in order that Masonry might be maintained.

There were other anniversary meetings, some for twenty-five years and some for other periods. It was my great regret that it was not possible for me to attend more of these meetings. I should like to commend to the various lodges the practice of recognizing these events. I assure you they create an interest. They review much that has been of importance in the past and serve as an inspiration to those who are carrying the burden at the present time.

Lodge Progress No. 92 very appropriately recognized its 25th Anniversary on April 15th, 1937, with a banquet and a programme of music and addresses. The printed programme contained a page of historic notes that recalled many important events associated with the lodge that were reviewed with interest by the members in attendance. This is a suggestion that might well be considered by lodges when preparing for such meetings. I was delighted to be present and to be accompanied by the Assistant Grand Secretary and the Grand Organist.

I represented this Grand Jurisdiction at the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba at Brandon on June 9th and 10th. The Assistant Grand Secretary accepted an invitation to represent this Grand Jurisdiction at the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Alberta on the same dates. We have invited representatives from both of these Sister Grand Lodges to join with us in our Annual Communication. These fraternal visits are always pleasant and beneficial. They exemplify the fraternal spirit of Masonry and make for harmony and uniformity in the respective jurisdictions.

The Grand Lodge of South Carolina extended an invitation to your Grand Master to attend its 200th Annual Communication of Grand Lodge in that Grand Jurisdiction. Since the inception of this Grand Jurisdiction we have enjoyed fraternal relationships with the Grand Lodge of South Carolina, and while it was not possible for your Grand Master to be present upon this important occasion, he did on your behalf forward a certificate of greeting suitably inscribed by Bro. H. Willsmer. I also asked the Grand Representative of this Grand Jurisdiction near the Grand Lodge of South Carolina to convey the warmest and kindest fraternal greetings to that Grand Jurisdiction upon the occasion of its 200th Annual Communication.

The first Masonic Lodge, in what is now the Dominion of Canada, was constituted at Annapolis Royal in 1738. The Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia proposes to celebrate the 200th Anniversary of this lodge in 1938. A tentative programme has been prepared and an invitation extended by that Grand Lodge to the Grand Lodges in Canada to send representatives to the celebration and to join with the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia in inviting a representative group from the Grand Lodges of the British Isles. It is expected that after the celebration those in attendance from the British Isles would tour the Dominion of Canada and make official Masonic visits to the various Grand Lodges. This Grand Jurisdiction views with favour this proposal and has appointed a committee which will submit a report at this Grand Communication.

Grand Representatives

I nominated the following Brethren for positions of honour: R.W. Bro. C. P. Seeley as the representative of the Grand Lodge of Illinois

near the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, and R.W. Bro. M. Musk as the representative of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska near the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.

Acting upon the recommendation of the Grand Masters of the various Grand Bodies affected, I approved the following appointments of Grand Representatives of this Grand Lodge near other Grand Lodges, commissions being issued as follows:

W. Bro. W. F. Hansen near the Grand Lodge of Florida.
W. Bro. J. H. Trice near the Grand Lodge of Kansas.
R.W. Bro. A. Burgess near the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.
W. Bro. O. C. Dovey near the Grand Lodge of Nebraska.
W. Bro. Max Z. Stein near the Grand Lodge of New York.
W. Bro. P. O. Sathre near the Grand Lodge of North Dakota.
Bro. C. Kummer near the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin.

Dispensations

I was asked to grant a dispensation to Lodge Progress No. 92 to permit their conferring of the third degree upon a brother prior to the lapse of the period of 28 days required by the Constitution. I was further requested by Shaunavon Lodge No. 110 to grant a dispensation to permit of the conferring of the 2nd and 3rd degrees on the same night. Upon receipt of these requests I reviewed the practice of granting such dispensations in the past and having ascertained that practice and upon the basis that no injustice would be suffered, I could not avoid the conclusion that both should be refused. The power vested in the Grand Master to permit a deviation from the established practice founded upon both principle and experience and embodied in the Constitution ought only to be exercised where good and sufficient reason has been disclosed therefor.

Outlook Lodge No. 65 neglected to comply with Section 111 of the Constitution in that it failed to transmit to the Grand Secretary the Semi-Annual Return on or before March 10th, 1937. A previous neglect to file the Return of Officers elected and appointed for the year 1937 further complicated the situation. Letters of request for these Returns to the Secretary-Treasurer remained unanswered. The matter was then referred to the District Deputy Grand Master who made two visits to the lodge and only with the resignation of the Secretary-Treasurer in April of this year were the Returns filed. This definite violation of Section 111 of the Constitution left me no alternative but to impose the penalty provided for by that section.

Throughout many parts of this Grand Jurisdiction the question of dues and the Grand Lodge Levy has been a matter of concern and difficulty. I felt that so far as the Constitution permitted in all cases where conditions were such as to make it reasonably impossible for the brethren to discharge these obligations that some relief should be granted, and I am happy to say much has been accomplished by the District Deputies and the committees of the lodges in this regard. Heward Lodge No. 29 particularly asked that payment of the arrears owing of the Grand Lodge Levy should be permitted to remain in abeyance for one year. I asked the District Deputy Grand Master to investigate and make a report, and upon the basis of that report I permitted these arrears to so remain for a period of one year.

The difficulties incident to drought and depression have been many and great during the last six or seven years in many parts of this Grand Jurisdiction. It is to be regretted that the drought continues; but in other regards there has been a distinct improvement and Masonry has, to some extent, realized a benefit therefrom. This year more members have

been initiated than in any year since 1931—an increase for the period ending February 28th, 1937, over last year of 60 members. But even then the number initiated this year was only 253 as compared to 400 in 1931 and to 603 in 1930. It is, however, encouraging to note this improvement and to hope that it may continue.

Office of Grand Treasurer

We have suffered a serious loss this year in the passing of R.W. Bro. James C. Moore to the Grand Lodge Above on February 19th, 1937. He had attained the age of 76 years and had enjoyed membership in the Craft since October of 1914. He served in many offices and always discharged his duties faithfully and well. Since the Communication of Grand Lodge in 1929 he served this Grand Jurisdiction as Grand Treasurer. Quiet and efficient he was beloved by all who were privileged to know him. We mourn his passing and honour his memory. I caused a suitable "In Memoriam" to be forwarded to every lodge throughout the jurisdiction.

To the office of Grand Treasurer, vacated by the death of our late brother, I appointed R.W. Bro. Col. A. C. Garner. I appreciated Bro. Garner accepting this office, realizing as I did his qualifications therefor. I gratefully acknowledge that he has discharged the duties thereof with credit to himself and benefit to Grand Lodge.

Fraternal Dead

It is with the deepest feelings of regret that I record and bring to your attention the fact that M.W. Bro. George W. Craven of Butte, Montana, who represented the Grand Lodge of Montana at our last Communication of Grand Lodge, shortly after his return to his home was called to the Grand Lodge Above suddenly and while apparently in the enjoyment of reasonably good health. You all recall how much we enjoyed his presence—how much he contributed by way of wisdom and wit. His attractive mannerisms and his happy disposition made a definite impression upon us all. Again, by his passing, we are reminded of the uncertainty of human existence. On your behalf I conveyed appropriate expressions of sympathy and regret to his family and the Grand Jurisdiction of Montana.

Other Grand Jurisdictions have had removed from their midst many eminent and distinguished Masons and we extend to them our deepest sympathy. During the year we have received official notice of the deaths of the following distinguished brethren of Sister Grand Jurisdictions:

Canada in Ontario—W.M. Logan, Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary.

Colorado—W. S. Pickerill, Past Grand Master.

Delaware—A. V. Hughes, Past Grand Master.

Indiana—J. L. Dinwiddie Past Grand Master; R. Kiper, Past Grand Master; H. Yeo, Past Grand Master, Jere West, Past Grand Master.

Iowa—F. W. Craig, Past Grand Master.

Kansas—M. K. Brundage, Past Grand Master.

Kentucky—J. W. Juett, Past Grand Master.

Maine—G. H. Cargill, Senior Past Junior Grand Warden; W. S. Shorrey, Past Senior Grand Warden; A. M. Ames, Past Junior Grand Warden; W. S. Davidson, Past Senior Grand Warden; S. B. Furbish, Deputy Grand Master.

Manitoba—C. N. Bell, Past Grand Master; R. S. Thornton, Past Grand Master.

Michigan—L. B. Winsor, Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary.

Minnesota—J. Fishel, Grand Secretary; E. G. McKeown, Past Grand Master; E. E. Swan, Past Grand Master.

Mississippi—H. C. Yawn, Past Grand Master; W. H. Carter, Past Grand Master.

Missouri—J. S. McIntyre, Past Grand Master.

Montana—J. H. Monteath, Past Grand Master; E. C. Day, Past Grand Master; E. M. Hutchinson, Past Grand Master; C. S. Bell, Past Grand Master; G. W. Craven, Past Grand Master.

Nebraska—J. Wright, Past Grand Master; O. A. Andrews, Past Grand Master.

Nevada—V. M. Henderson, Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary.

New Hampshire—H. M. Cheney, Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary.

Ohio—F. M. Ransbottom, Past Grand Master.

South Australia—C. R. J. Glover, Grand Secretary.

Washington—J. E. Fowler, Past Grand Master.

West Virginia—C. T. Dutton, Past Grand Master; E. C. Frame, Past Grand Master.

Masonic Education

I join with my predecessors in expressing to the members of the Educational Committee our gratitude for the information they have, month by month, made available to our constituent lodges. This work is of a definite value and is much appreciated in the respective lodges where it is made a matter of study, discussion and debate. On your behalf I express to Wor. Bro. Fraser and the members of his committee our appreciation of their time and effort given to this important matter and of the splendid papers they have produced for our instruction and benefit.

Masonic history covers centuries and records much of interest that does honour to the Craft as a body. This history indicates that the Craft has passed through many trying and treacherous periods. It has experienced days of national revolutions and of international wars. It has endured periods when, through heat of passion and prejudice, its difficulties were multiplied. It has experienced the hardships of depression and the excesses of prosperity. Yet today, after all, the Craft remains intact as an active force in the cause of human well being.

The period of the Great War submitted Masonry to a severe test. In England Masonry had a very large and active membership and the Grand Lodge of England enjoyed fraternal relationships with many of the Grand Jurisdictions in Europe. The Great War came suddenly and its advent involved several Grand Jurisdictions and the immediate discontinuance of fraternal relationships. This sudden change, of necessity, raised many problems and in particular in the Grand Jurisdiction of England but it is a credit to the sound judgment of Masonry and to the principles upon which that judgment is founded that Masonry endured.

The Great War, as all previous wars and other national and international crises, has passed into history but Masonry continues. An institution that thus survives and continues notwithstanding severe tests and troubles of magnitude must be respected. We may ask the reason why. This will be found if we return to first principles, as one should when a decision upon any important question is desired. Masonry itself is a system of morality. It portrays and interprets the meaning, intent and purpose of morality. Such is its definite mission and such its proper field of endeavour.

The importance of the field is obvious and admitted. It is equally true that this field is large enough to engage and exhaust the efforts of Masons. Moreover, morality is not a fixed and determined conception. The morality of the present is superior to that of the past. The pages of history provide abundant authority for that statement and the morality of the future will more nearly approximate the ideal than that of our day. Morality is a concept in any generation of an ideal to which people endeavour to approach and we succeed as we develop our sense of truth and of justice.

Throughout the long past we have improved, but we must develop far before the attainment of the ideal. This field of endeavour—the translation, interpretation and portrayal of the tenets and concepts of morality—provide ample opportunity for every Mason, however brilliant or however much of a genius he may be, to express himself, not only in one, but in a variety of ways.

Morality is a positive, active, directing force and should obtain not only in social contacts but in business and politics, labour and leisure, everywhere and at all times.

Because morality is essential in all forms of activity it provides no justification for Masonry as an organization entering *per se* into all or any of these fields. Education is essential but schools do not enter into the activity of all fields of endeavour. Schools and institutions of learning provide programmes to which all may attend. So, Masonry provides a programme in which all Masons may participate.

It is equally true that just as students go into various fields of endeavour the better prepared because of their study and preparation so should the individual Mason, because of his Masonic views, opinions and convictions, be the better prepared to serve, whatever his task may be. He will proceed as a man who has enjoyed and appreciated the value of the moral point of view and which should be a greater determining factor in his life because of his Masonic experience. In a word, outside the lodge we are citizens of the world and men of affairs and as such under an obligation to inform ourselves upon every important question. It is not for us to expound our views or to suggest resolutions with respect thereto within the Masonic Lodge. That is a function that should be performed in other organizations whose sphere or field of action it is to deal with these matters. It is our duty, because of our membership in Masonry, to avail ourselves of its privileges that we may, in other organizations, determine wisely and with justice upon all questions that we are called upon to decide as individuals or in a representative capacity.

Masonry cannot afford to become another religion, another political party or a commercial or industrial competitor. The mere statement of such possibilities makes one pause and resent the suggestion. It is so foreign to the central and fundamental mission of Masonry but it does serve a useful purpose in that it focuses our thought and attention upon the proper pursuits of Masonry and enables us to more definitely define its proper limits.

We are permitted into membership because we believe in God, not because we accept any particular theological view or adhere to any religious dogma. Again, we are accepted into membership because we believe in the maintenance of the State and the preservation of law and order but not because we adhere to any one political view. With respect to these and other matters we may entertain differences of opinion and properly so; opinions which, in proper places, we may and ought to give expression to, but the fields of religious, political, commercial and industrial controversies are outside the proper activities of the Masonic lodge.

Dr. Lorne Pierce deals with this point in his book "Master Builders", in the following language:

"Masonry must adhere to its historic principles and ideals, and not clutter itself with imitations of contemporary movements and fads. It must build upon the old foundations a new structure fitted for the purposes of this day."

Masonry has its functions to perform, its mission among men. Let us pursue that course which will best enable Masonry to discharge its proper responsibilities. Down through the ages Masons have zealously and jealously guarded its portals against improper intrusions and extensions. Because of this, Masonry has remained intact as an active and effective force among men. It is our plain duty to preserve it as such.

If I be asked to be more specific I can do no better than quote the words of Stephen F. Chadwick: "Masonry seeks to promote brotherly love, not only among its members but among all mankind and it accomplishes its purpose by presenting 'agreed moral precepts in an atmosphere where harmony prevails'."

Grand Masters have repeatedly regretted the apathy and indifference on the part of so many members in our constituent lodges. These regrets have been well founded in fact and steps should, from time to time, be formulated to overcome this condition. It should not, however, be overlooked that there are many members in our constituent lodges who are interested and active, who maintain our lodges and who, by virtue of their understanding and appreciation of Masonry, make the lodge a factor of importance in the lives of the members.

It may be that we should give consideration to a modernization of our interpretations—re-write our illustrations and adjust our symbols to more definitely relate them to the experiences we encounter in the activities of our own times. This is not an original suggestion but one that has already been the subject of thought and reflection by many of our brethren in various jurisdictions. If that is necessary to stimulate and vitalize Masonic thinking—to assist our brethren who may be worried and concerned to find a new hope and a clearer vision in these days of change and confusion then the effort is justified and worth while. I am one of those who believe with James Russell Lowell:

"Truth is eternal, but her effluence,
With endless change is fitted to the hour;
Her mirror is turned forward, to reflect
The promise of the future, not the past."

Our principles are eternal—our purpose well defined—but our statements and interpretations must ever be such as to find their application in the lives of our brethren.

Our Masonic lodges, as other associations, are more active in some years than in others. This is due largely to the leadership provided by the Masters, Secretaries and Officers of the constituent lodges. It seems to me that it is one of the duties of Grand Lodge to provide encouragement and a measure of direction in order that the Master and his officers in the constituent lodges may be assisted in the discharge of their respective duties. I am of the opinion that this might well be achieved by the Grand Secretary and the Assistant Grand Secretary making more frequent visits to constituent lodges, perhaps a minimum number in each year. Might the office of Grand Secretary be more effectively used and the work of our D.D.G. Masters supplemented. The visit would be an event of importance to the constituent lodge and it would provide a medium of effectively disseminating information from Grand Lodge to the constituent lodges. It would supplement the activities of our District

Deputy Grand Masters and, moreover, it would avoid misunderstandings and thereby create a more intimate relationship between the constituent lodges and the office of the Grand Secretary. I do not believe the office of the Grand Secretary can make the most of its opportunities by confining its activities mainly to the communication of Grand Lodge, to supervision of the District Deputy Grand Masters and to the office routine incidental to a large Grand Jurisdiction. This is particularly true in Grand Jurisdictions where distances are great, contacts consequently fewer in number and where a spirit of friendship and fraternity therefore more difficult to create and maintain. I appreciate that this involves expense but it could be commenced on a comparatively small scale and be adjusted from time to time as funds permit.

This is not a criticism of the Grand Secretary—the Assistant Grand Secretary—that it has not been done is our fault. It is a matter of policy to be determined by Grand Lodge. Not only do I not criticise our Secretaries but I commend them for the splendid service they have rendered and I hasten to at once express my personal appreciation of their work. Not only do they discharge routine but every problem is studied and a decision arrived at only after research and perusal of Masonic precedent and practice. The value of their serious and painstaking attitude has resulted in great benefit to this Grand Jurisdiction and I hope this type of endeavour may ever be found in the office of our Grand Secretary.

I gratefully acknowledge the interest of all Grand Lodge officers—their attendance at district and lodge meetings. The best traditions of Grand Lodge have been well maintained in this regard and I hope their devotion to the Craft may continue.

Finally my brethren may I gratefully acknowledge my sincere appreciation to you my fellow Masons in this Grand Jurisdiction for the honour and privilege to serve in the high office of Grand Master. The year has shown some increase in Masonic activity and no unusual difficulties. I sincerely hope that the duties of the office have been discharged in a manner that meets with your approval.

May I ask of you a continuance of the same sympathetic and whole-hearted co-operation and interest as my successor assumes the responsibilities of this office.

Faternally yours,

JAMES WILFRED ESTEY,
Grand Master.

Greetings and Regrets

A telegram extending greetings and best wishes from the Grand Lodge of North Dakota, was read.

A telegram was also read from M.W. Bro. T. W. Sutherland conveying warm fraternal greetings and expressing deep regret at his inability to be present.

The Grand Secretary, at the request of M.W. Bro. C. O. Davidson, now resident in British Columbia, conveyed most kindly fraternal greetings and very sincere regrets at his inability to be present and enjoy the opportunity of fraternizing with his Saskatchewan Brethren.

A letter was read from M.W. Bro. J. K. Irwin giving expression to the prayer that the Most High would richly bless the deliberations of the Brethren in Annual Communication assembled. Bro. Irwin regretted

that it would be impossible for him to attend as a result of having to undergo an operation.

A letter was read from R.W. Bro. W. McCauley conveying best wishes for a most successful Communication and expressing regret that as a result of serious illness he would be unable to be in attendance.

Letters were read from the following Brethren regretting their inability to be present and extending best wishes for a successful and constructive Annual Communication: M.W. Bro. H. H. Campkin; R.W. Bros. W. R. McConnell, A. E. Miscampbell, R. E. Bishop, S. Barraclough; V.W. Bros. A. T. McAuslan and G. Pinder.

The M.W. the Grand Master read a communication from M.W. Bro. W. J. Botterill, Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan near the Grand Lodge of Alberta, advising that he had been in attendance at the 32nd Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, had conveyed greetings on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan and had been instructed to advise that these greetings were greatly appreciated and heartily reciprocated. He stated further "that V.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, Assistant Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, had been an honoured guest and had delivered a splendid Masonic address".

Reports of District Deputy Grand Masters

On motion of W. Bro. H. Mackay (62) and R.W. Bro. J. C. Carter (65), it was resolved: "That advance copies of the following reports being printed and in the hands of the representatives of the Lodges, they be taken as read and referred to the Committee on Condition of Masonry".

DISTRICT No. 1

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A. F. & A. M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 1.

Although the District Meeting of Masonic District No. 1 was not held until October, twelve of the thirteen lodges were represented at the Masonic Temple in Prince Albert.

It was our privilege to have many distinguished brethren present. The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. J. W. Estey, the Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. Musk, the Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate, Past Grand Master, M.W. Bro. R. Young, and the Grand Director of Ceremonies, V.W. Bro. M. Fritshaw were received with the customary Grand Honours.

V.W. Bro. Bristowe, District Secretary, read the minutes of the previous District Meeting. R.W. Bro. D. Hunter, P.D.D.G.M., read the report of the District Deputy for 1935-36.

A very profitable discussion on the various subjects suggested by the M.W. Grand Master was under the direction of M.W. Bro. Tate. A meeting of installed Masters closed the afternoon session.

The evening meeting opened at 8 pm. W. Bro. J. T. Tomlinson of Kinistino No. 1 was elected D.D.G.M. for 1937-38. The question box was opened and M.W. Bro. Tate cleared all the points of difficulty to the satisfaction of the brethren. V.W. Bro. M. Fritshaw of Tisdale gave a

splendid address and W. Bro. Tomlinson read a skillfully prepared paper. The Grand Master gave a very fine and inspirational address. M.W. Bro. Young and R.W. Bro. Musk also addressed the meeting.

I wish to express the appreciation of those lodges that have had the privilege of listening to the address of M.W. Bro. Young on the Benevolent Fund. His clear grasp of the various problems and his able presentation of these have enabled the brethren to understand fully the position of the Trustees and the working of the Fund.

The reports from the lodges of the district indicate that a reduction of 23% has been made in the arrears of dues.

Masonry is a living force for good and it is with pleasure that I can report improvement in Wakaw and Pleasantdale Lodges. Judging from the new material entering our lodges, we must feel pleased that our standard remains high in times of depression, as well as in times of prosperity.

There has been a good deal of inter-lodge visitation. When one of the smaller lodges receives a visit from several brethren they are welcomed with enthusiasm. The fraternal greetings exchanged inspire the home members and much good results. Inter-district meetings have taken place such as the visit of Lodge Progress of Saskatoon to Prince Albert, and the visit of Tisdale Lodge to Hudson Bay Junction.

I wish to thank the Secretaries of the District for their accuracy and promptness in making returns. Several have expressed the wish that at the District Meeting there should be a short time devoted to the work of the Secretary. If our Grand Secretary could have a meeting of the lodge secretaries many difficulties in the work would be cleared away.

Every lodge in the District received an official visit. The work is ably performed in the various lodges. I wish to commend many officers who are regular in attendance although they have many miles to travel. My reception as representative of the Grand Master was all that could be desired. On many of these visits brethren from Birch Hills Lodge accompanied me. For this and the many courtesies extended to me on the occasion of my visits, I wish to express my gratitude. There is a splendid spirit of fraternal co-operation in this District.

Some of our lodges mourn the passing of brethren. We who remain have our work to do. May I close with a quotation:

We know the paths wherein our feet should press
Across our hearts are written Thy decrees
Yet now, O Lord, be merciful to bless
With more than these.
Grant us the will to fashion as we feel
Grant us the strength to labour as we know
Grant us the purpose ribbed and edged with steel
To strike the blow.

Fraternally submitted,

WILFRED R. ORTON, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 2

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 2.

The District meeting was held in the Masonic Temple, Regina, on Tuesday, Sept. 29th, 1936. There are 14 lodges in the District all of which were represented, the attendance being 78.

Owing to increasingly heavy duties in connection with his office as Assistant Grand Secretary, V.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate resigned as District Secretary, an office he had held for thirteen years with credit to himself and the rendering of a service much appreciated by the District. V.W. Bro. Tate's resignation was regretfully accepted and W. Bro. J. V. Dodds was elected in his stead.

At the District meeting, in the afternoon session, the Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate, lead the discussion on, "How to make Lodge Attendance more interesting". He pointed out that regular attendance develops the Masonic spirit, and that this is moreover a first essential; he interpreted Masonry as a philosophy of life which might well be applied to our everyday manner of living. The Grand Secretary in discussing "The Relationship of the Constituent Lodge to Grand Lodge", distinctly stated the necessity of each Mason familiarizing himself with the structure and proceedings of Grand Lodge and that having been created by and representative of all subordinate Lodges it follows that Grand Lodge should receive unanimous support.

In the evening session W. Bro. Joseph Uprichard, of King Hiram Lodge No. 104, Regina, was elected D.D.G.M. for District No. 2 for the year 1937-38.

Bro. Fry, of Emulation Lodge No. 186, addressed the meeting on, "Masonry and the Church", and outlined in what respects Masonry and the Church supplemented each other, a delicate subject but very ably handled.

V.W. Bro. Gillis, of Gray Lodge No. 176, spoke on "The importance of interesting young men in Masonry"—a vital subject.

In the evening the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. J. W. Estey, addressed the meeting. He stressed the value of the Volume of the Sacred Law, and stated that in his opinion each Mason must interpret Masonry in the light of his own experiences. His address was both inspirational and practical.

I visited every Lodge in the District officially, and in some instances was able to make a second visit. Generally speaking I found an appreciable improvement with respect to each Lodge due possibly in part to increased knowledge and a fuller realization of the value of Masonry and to better economic conditions. To my mind this improved condition was also due to increased inter lodge visiting. Many will recall that R.W. Bro. Watson, during his term as District Deputy Grand Master, donated a Travelling Volume of the Sacred Law to encourage inter lodge visitation and this was undoubtedly very stimulating. Banner Lodge No. 154 had a Military Night and at this gathering Memorial Lodge No. 172 exemplified the Third Degree. A Father and Son Night held by N.W.M.P. Lodge No. 11, and a similar one held by Milestone Lodge No. 164, attracted a large attendance. Such events create unusual interest and influence young men of good character for potential membership.

The future is still much clouded but no matter what political, economic and social institutions eventually evolve out of the present unsettled conditions, there will always be a real need for Masonry to bring its members to the Altar of prayer, to fortify their faith in the Great Architect of the Universe, to restore beauty in common things and carry reality to the daily work where weariness has crept in, because of the heat and burden of the day. Masonry is a great adventure, it possesses glorious opportunities; its zeal, its triumphs and its desires are permeating the world within, the silent spaces of the soul. Hence I am optimistic. Be-

cause of Masonry, I see a kinder spirit abroad, a new thoughtfulness that brightens sadness and heals the sick, a unity of spirit and bonds of peace.

I would recommend that the day following the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge be devoted, at Grand Lodge expense, to the instruction of D.D.G.Ms. in the duties of their office. There does not seem to be sufficient time given to this important work and D.D.G.Ms. do not always go out with that confidence necessary to the satisfactory carrying out of their duties and which might be derived from such a meeting.

I wish to thank the Brethren of District No. 2 for the opportunity of serving Masonry as D.D.G.M.—a service I have enjoyed, not only because of the co-operation and courtesy extended to me on my official visits, but because it has been a real delight to establish so many Masonic contacts and friendships and to serve a District where Masonry is of such high standard.

Faternally submitted,

ARCHIE McARTHUR, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 3

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A. M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 3.

The District Meeting was held in Moose Jaw on October 1st with a good attendance and each lodge in the District represented.

During the afternoon session M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate, Grand Secretary asked for the opinion of the brethren regarding the most suitable date for the District Meeting, and the end of September or the beginning of October appeared to be the most favourable time.

The general discussions included "How to make Lodge Meetings interesting"; "The Relation of Constituent Lodges to Grand Lodge" and "A Mason's attitude to Non-Masons."

At the evening session M.W. Bro. N. B. Williams, P.G.M., representing the Grand Master, who was unable to be present, accompanied by M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate, Grand Secretary, and a number of Grand Lodge officers were received.

W. Bro. E. Marriott of Sharon Lodge No. 170 was elected D.D.G.M.

W. Bro. P. J. Rawlinson gave an address on "Masonry and the Church."

W. Bro. J. McCaig, W.M. of Chaplin Lodge No. 197, as winner of the attendance trophy was presented, by M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate on behalf of the District, with a set of square and compasses.

M.W. Bro. N. B. Williams spoke on "Masons I have met."

It has been very gratifying to find during my visits to the various lodges comprising the District that such a splendid effort is being made to handle the arrears of dues problem in face of the very adverse conditions still existing.

Each lodge has adopted a method of collecting the arrears considered most suitable to their needs, and I am very glad to report that nine lodges have reduced the amount of their arrears, two have no arrears outstanding and four have increased theirs slightly.

The brethren in general have been faithful to the precepts of Masonry and have endeavoured to carry the burden imposed by circumstances.

It is to be regretted that in the odd instance some officers are not as punctual in their attendance as might be desired. The Past Masters, however, offer splendid examples to the brethren by their encouragement and loyal support, one W. M. in particular lives twenty-eight miles from his lodge and seldom misses a meeting.

A remarkably optimistic spirit prevails among the brethren in the District, and if we are so fortunate as to have a good crop this Fall many of the financial troubles of the lodges will be eliminated.

The majority of the lodges have enthusiastic and energetic officers who plan to make the meetings of particular interest to the brethren and take special care in the work with the desire that it shall be as nearly correct as possible. Some of the lodges pay marked attention to the examination of all officers before advancing them to the higher offices.

Respecting dues, I would like to suggest that where possible the dues of each lodge be kept near the same level, all conditions of course being equal. The reason for this is obvious.

It is with deep regret I record the death of R.W. Bro. E. Kingsbury, P.D.D.G.M., secretary of Briercrest Lodge No. 88, on April 8th. Interment was made at Rouleau on April 11th with services at Briercrest, when a large and representative number of the brethren from the District attended. R.W. Bro. Kingsbury will long be remembered by the brethren as an outstanding member of the Craft, who gave unsparingly of his time and talent for the good of Masonry.

In conclusion I wish to thank the brethren for the privilege given to me to serve as D.D.G.M. and to express my appreciation of the honour. I especially want to thank R.W. Bro. S. R. Stephens and R.W. Bro. T. W. McPhail, District Secretary, for their able assistance during my term of office.

On my visits to the lodges I arranged to spend as much time as convenient with the Secretaries and Officers before the meeting, and I wish to express my warmest thanks to them for their kind receptions.

If I have been of service to the brethren of this District during the past year it will remain a pleasant memory to me. May the true spirit of Masonry continue to guide you and ever remain in your hearts.

Fraternally submitted,

JAS. U. THOROUGHGOOD, D.D.G.M

DISTRICT No. 4

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 4.

The District Meeting was held at Fort Qu'Appelle on July 21st, 1936. For three years in succession the District Meeting has been held there. Situated in the centre of the District with four lodges on either side of the Valley, Fort Qu'Appelle is a most convenient place, which is confirmed by the fact that every lodge has been represented the last few years. The use of St. Andrew's United Church and the kindness and

co-operation of the members of Qu'Appelle Valley Lodge have made these gatherings uniformly successful.

Grand Lodge was represented by M.W. the Grand Master and M.W. the Grand Secretary, the Assistant Grand Secretary, the Grand Registrar, the Grand Junior Deacon and the D.D.G.M.

During the afternoon session, the Grand Secretary made valuable suggestions regarding the planning of a successful year's work in the Constituent Lodge, and an interested and helpful discussion followed. The Grand Secretary, with the assistance of the brethren, then exemplified parts of opening ceremonies of the three degrees.

Following the Board of Installed Masters and refreshment, the brethren, through the kindness of W. Bro. Dr. Sime, were conducted over the newly erected Indian Hospital at Fort Qu'Appelle.

The evening session opened with the selection of a D.D.G.M. and W. Bro. W. H. Gibson (Indian Head No. 5) was elected. The Question Box period was conducted by M.W. the Grand Secretary, after which W. Bro. K. A. Foster (Abernethy No. 77) gave a paper on "Masonry and Religion" and V.W. Bro. A. Binnie (Earl Grey No. 168) a paper on "Tolerance and Justice". The Grand Master in his address stressed the application of Masonic morality to our daily life and the ability of Masonry to meet the changed conditions of our modern day. Masonry had had a wonderful past, and he believed it possessed wonderful possibilities for the future.

The valued services of W. Bro. H. C. Hall, as Secretary, added much to the success of the District Meeting.

District No. 4 is the smallest in the Jurisdiction, yet in my visitations I discovered a great variety of lodges. Each lodge has its own individuality.

Under most favourable weather conditions, and through the unvarying kindness of the brethren, the visitation was made a most pleasant experience for the District Deputy.

Masonry in the District is at least holding its own, and there are not wanting signs that the turn for better conditions has come. Whilst the perusal of the statistics shows that there is an increase in the total amount of arrears of dues over the previous year, this is offset by the fact that quite a few candidates have been initiated during the year, and more still by an unmistakeable atmosphere of hopefulness which pervades the majority of the lodges.

I took the opportunity when addressing the brethren to emphasize the fact that Masonry is an experience rather than an achievement. In the older lodges (and the District has three among the oldest in the jurisdiction) the presence of many Past Masters will be a help or a hindrance according to the viewpoint we adopt.

I further emphasized the value of a more vital connection with Grand Lodge, and warned against the danger of independence as against interdependence.

The Benevolent Fund came up for discussion at each official visit, and I believe there is a fuller understanding of its great value.

I am convinced that in each lodge there are Masons who are loyal in their allegiance to the Craft, and both outwardly and inwardly true to its principles; and District No. 4 gives ample evidence, despite "the diminutiveness of its size" that the Constituent Lodges in the small rural towns are the real strength of Masonry in the Jurisdiction.

The older lodges of the District are for the most part a happy refutation of the idea that where there are many Past Masters Masonry lacks interest and vitality.

Of the Masters and Secretaries of each lodge, I would like to speak an appreciative word, commending them for their interest, their efficiency and their true Masonic spirit.

I feel the lodges of the District need to give more definite attention to Masonic Education and Research, and to appreciate more fully the value of the material sent month by month from Grand Lodge, not merely as papers to be read, but as material suggestive of further thought and study.

My term of office as District Deputy has been a very happy one. It has been a liberal education for the Deputy himself, and my gratitude is to every member of the nine lodges that comprise our big little District.

Faternally submitted,

AUBREY W. INGRAM, D.D.G.M

DISTRICT No. 5

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 5.

There are fourteen lodges in District No. 5, four of which are situated in Saskatoon and the remainder on railway lines radiating from that city. The total membership of the District is now 1401.

The District Meeting was held in the Masonic Temple at Saskatoon on October 6th, 1936. The meeting was well attended, there being 87 registered delegates with every lodge represented. M.W. Bro. J. W. Estey, Grand Master, M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate, Grand Secretary, V.W. Bro. W. E. Winterton, Grand Organist, V.W. Bro. A. E. Hokanson, Grand Steward, and M.W. Bro. James McGregor, Past Grand Master, were in attendance. Great interest was taken by the delegates and visitors in the various questions suggested for discussion. Under the guidance and inspiration of the Grand Master and Grand Secretary, the question as to how to make the lodge meetings more interesting and also that of the Mason's attitude towards a non-Mason brought forth suggestions from many of the delegates. The spirited discussion of these subjects made it necessary to curtail some of the work of exemplification planned.

At the evening session W. Bro. J. R. Young, of Victory Lodge No. 144, was selected D.D.G.M. for the ensuing year. The Worshipful Master gave a very instructive address touching on many questions pertaining to the great work of Masonry. Rev. Bro. W. C. Mawhinney delivered a splendid address on the subject, "Masonry and the Church," and V.W. Bro. A. E. Hokanson also gave a short address.

I have visited every lodge in the district during the year. I very much regret that I was unable to accept the kind invitation of Lodge Progress No. 92 to attend its Silver Jubilee Celebration held on April 15th last. I am informed that our Grand Master was in attendance and that the meeting was a very successful and a fitting celebration of twenty-five years of continued progress.

R.W. Bro. C. P. Seeley, my predecessor in office, made the suggestion that the dates of some of the lodge meetings within the district be changed to facilitate inter-lodge visits. A committee was appointed at our District Meeting to deal with the matter and I have also dealt with it at

lodges where the difficulty arises. My investigation, however, has led me to believe that it cannot be successfully dealt with by the district alone. I have found that many neighbouring lodges in different districts meet on the same night. The benefits derived from inter-lodge visits are incalculable and every facility should be given for this lodge activity. I make the suggestion that some step be taken by Grand Lodge to correct this condition.

A comparative study of the accompanying statistical report with that of the previous year shows progress in almost every department. Membership and attendance have each increased by about 7% and there has been a marked decrease in the arrears of dues. It is to be noted, however, that some of the rural lodges have not improved their position during this period. With them candidates are still lacking and death and removals from their districts have made it very difficult to carry on. But it has been an inspiration to me to find a small but sincere group of Masons, in some cases mostly Past Masters, keeping the lodge functioning and the light of Masonry still burning.

I very much appreciate the kindness and co-operation of the brethren of the District shown to me at the District Meeting and when making my official visits. It has been a great honour and a great privilege to serve as your District Deputy during the past year.

Fraternally submitted,

M. W. COXWORTH, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 6

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 6.

District No. 6, of which the southern boundary coincides with the International border, consists of eleven lodges. In this district the condition of Masonry must be judged by general conditions throughout the territory. There have been repeated crop failures and some loss of population. Every section of the district has had the scriptural seven lean years; some portions, having had eight, are now one over par. Despite this fact, there seems to be a better feeling, but whether this is merely a reflection of better conditions elsewhere, it would be difficult to say. In any event, there has been, during recent months, a marked increase in the number of petitions for initiation.

While the condition of the lodges is inseparable from general conditions, it is only natural that they should have their individual problems. Arrears of dues are high; it would be quite impossible to say with any approach to accuracy what proportion of them may be considered an asset. On the other hand, it is gratifying that only in one lodge has there been any lack of harmony throughout the year, and in that case it was not due to causes arising within the lodge. The spirit throughout the lodges is uniformly good. Indeed no one could return from a round of visits without a sincere and ungrudging admiration of the brethren everywhere, but more especially in the small lodges, who have made shift, not without sacrifice, to carry on under difficulties.

The district meeting was held at Weyburn on July 14th, and representatives of ten lodges were present. The advice and instruction of the

M.W. the Grand Secretary, whose infinite variety age cannot wither nor custom stale, contributed largely to the success of the meeting, and there was, in addition, interesting and useful general discussion, particularly upon the topic of the Mason's relation to the non-Mason. V.W. Bro. Shotter of Osage Lodge, taking as his subject "When is a man a Mason?" delivered a paper, short but packed with thought, and Bro. M. L. Tallant of Ogema Lodge, read a timely and excellently-prepared paper upon "Masonry and the Church." As usual, however, the address of the M.W. the Grand Master was the high light of the meeting, and M.W. Bro. Estey was much to be thanked for the way in which he co-related the principles of Masonry with the conditions of modern life.

During his year of office the present writer has directed his attention mainly to two matters. The first, which is of the essence of Masonry, refers to the importance of keeping the craft out of politics and politics out of the craft. It cannot be over-emphasised that Masonry's place is in the field of morals.

The second is a matter of organisation. As matters stood, four or five of the lodges in the district might be meeting on the same night. Again, some of the lodges in the same part of the district might be meeting within two or three nights of each other. Some of the lodges too, governed their date of meeting by reference to the full moon, although it would appear that in these days of better roads and well-lighted vehicles, the advantages of doing so are not as important as they used to be.

For the stimulation of inter-lodge visiting, it is submitted that the ideal condition would be one in which any Mason would be able once a week to hold communication with his brethren at a lodge within his own locality, although not necessarily within his own Masonic district. Some steps have been taken with this end in view.

Fraternally submitted,

J. C. MARTIN, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 7

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 7.

The District Meeting was held in North Battleford and Battleford on Tuesday, July 28th. The afternoon session was called to order by the D.D.G.M. at 2.30 p.m. The M.W. the Grand Master, J. W. Estey; M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate, Grand Secretary; and other Grand Lodge Officers were introduced by R.W. Bro. S. G. Peters and accorded Grand Honours.

The program as outlined by Grand Lodge was followed. R.W. Bro. A. E. Orchard read a very interesting report of his work and findings of the previous year. Discussions were lead by the M.W. the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary. A great deal of time was taken up discussing that part of the Constitution which pertains to the non-payment of dues. I think unemployment and drought in this district are playing a great part in this connection. After the Grand Secretary called for questions to be placed in the question box he, in his usual helpful and instructive manner, assisted in a session of a Board of Installed Masters. Following the afternoon session lunch was served in the Savoy Cafe where a short address was given by the M.W. the Grand Master, the visiting representatives were welcomed by R.W. Bro. J. E. McLarty and V.W. Bro. W. L. Clink.

The evening session was held in Battle Lodge, Battleford, opening at 7.30 p.m. The selection of a D.D.G.M. was the first order of business and W. Bro. Jas. Thompson of Tyrian Lodge, Edam, was chosen. M.W. Bro. Tate then answered the questions from the question box in a very able manner. Interesting papers were given on "The Church and Freemasonry" and "Freemasonry in an Age of Dictatorship" by Bro. Davidson of Ionic Lodge and V.W. Bro. McAuslan of Lonach Lodge. M.W. Bro. Dr. J. W. MacNeill, P.G.M., gave a short challenging address recalling his early connection with Battle Lodge and of his association with men like the late Rev. Canon E. K. Matheson. W. Bro. Calder traced the history of Battle Lodge which was instituted on July 27th, 1886. The M.W. the Grand Master brought the session to a close with an inspiring and interesting address. He urged the brethren to make their Masonic experience count for something in the life of the community and suggested that there should be definite aims and purposes behind the individual connection with the lodge.

Battle Lodge No. 19 at Battleford, the senior lodge in the District, celebrated its Fiftieth Anniversary and Ionic Lodge at North Battleford its Thirtieth Anniversary during the past year. We are proud of the pioneer and historic background of Battle Lodge and of the splendid Masonic influence that has radiated both from it and from Ionic Lodge during the years.

I visited each lodge at least once. My first visit was to Cut Knife Lodge when several Brethren from Loyalty Lodge attended to present the Travelling Register. This Register, presented to this District by R.W. Bro. Dr. Garrioch, has resulted in many enjoyable and profitable meetings in the district. The night we were at Cut Knife W. Bro. Pringle, who first saw the Light of Masonry 64 years ago in Robertson Lodge No. 292 in Ontario, was voted a Life Membership. I managed to visit all Lodges with the exception of Britannia at regular meetings. I am of the opinion that unemployment and drought are responsible for rather poor attendance and N.P.D. When conditions improve I think more members will be joining us and the attendance will be better. I am of the opinion that Masonry today is receiving a challenge from one or two other splendid organizations, but I think we have what others have not, and if in these trying times we practice our Masonry in our daily lives we need have no fear. Most of the lodges have fair average attendance and interesting meetings. Other lodges in the district might copy Ionic Lodge with their "Roll Call Night".

A gloom was cast over the district about the time of the District Meeting by the sudden death of W. Bro. J. Stahl of Borden by motor accident, he was Master of Borden Lodge at the time of his death.

I would say that Masonry is playing its part in assisting in keeping a steady influence with society at large in these rather trying times.

I wish to thank the Brethren for the honour conferred upon Loyalty Lodge and myself in selecting me as D.D.G.M. and I also wish to thank the officers and members of the various lodges for their cordial welcome and help during my visits, to those who gave great assistance at the District Meeting, and to V.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate. I shall long remember the year I was privileged to work with you all.

Faternally submitted,

A. J. BATER, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 8

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A. M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 8.

District No. 8 comprises ten lodges, five being situated on the Souris, Estevan Branch, and five on the Souris, Regina Branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway lines.

The District Meeting was held at Estevan on Monday July 13th, 1936, and was opened by the D.D.G.M. at 2.45 p.m. Nine lodges of the District were represented, the only lodge not represented was Heward. The registered attendance being 54, of which 31 were members of the Estevan Lodge. The attendance was not as large as hoped, due in part to the extreme heat at that time, and the heavy electrical storm in the early evening. Many expressions of the very interesting meeting were heard from all sides, and I feel sure as the years pass, and we become better acquainted in this new District No. 8, our District Meeting will be more largely attended, and from which we cannot but receive great help and encouragement in the life of Masonry.

We were honoured by the presence of the M.W. the Grand Master, J. W. Estev, M.W. the Grand Secretary, W. B. Tate, and V.W. Bros. R. A. Tate, Asst. Grand Secretary, J. K. Pomeroy, Grand Supt. of Works, and T. H. Sendall, Grand Chaplain.

The afternoon session was in charge of the Grand Secretary, and the keen and lively interest which was shown in the many discussions, which were brought forward, showed in no small way the serious thought given by all concerned. They were dealt with in the following order:

- (a) How to make our meetings interesting.
- (b) Relation of Constituent Lodges to Grand Lodge.
- (c) Consideration of a Mason's attitude towards a non-Mason.
- (d) What shall be the attitude of a Mason towards community life.
- (e) What should be a Mason's attitude towards world conditions.

Grand Lodge officers also exemplified opening and closing of the three degrees, as well as the Grand Secretary answering many questions in his usual capable and thorough manner and from which many of us received great benefit and help.

At the evening session which began at 7.55 p.m., V.W. Bro. J. K. Pomeroy of Border Lodge No. 52, Gainsborough, was selected as the next D.D.G.M. The Grand Secretary then answered the questions which had been placed in the question box during the afternoon. Wor. Bro. Lewis of Arcola Lodge then gave an address taking as his subject "Masonry and the Church" followed by V.W. Bro. Pomeroy of Border Lodge, Gainsborough. The M.W. the Grand Master then gave a very inspiring address "Why Masonry came down through the Ages" and was listened to with great interest by the brethren.

It has been my great privilege to visit each lodge in the District once officially, and some I have had the pleasure of visiting on one, two or three occasions, and the reception accorded me at each lodge as the representative of the Grand Master has been most kind. I am happy and proud to report that I found all lodges endeavouring to carry on in a truly Masonic Spirit under most trying conditions. I feel that the Masonic influence is ever being proven of the greatest benefit to mankind.

With the exception of Estevan Lodge, all others are not receiving any new material, owing to financial conditions, and until such time as conditions do improve in this District No. 8, I feel that many of our lodges are going to find it very hard to carry on, unless there is some sort of re-adjustment made in respect to Grand Lodge fees on those members who are being carried by the Constituent Lodge in arrears. The arrears of dues are becoming a heavy burden to most lodges, and while every thought, and effort is being given to the collection of same, it is in most cases hopeless. Very little degree work is being done, and with the exception of Estevan Lodge, where I had the great privilege of seeing both the first and third degrees, no other lodge except Fillmore attempted any degree work at the time of my visits, which to me was disappointing. The brethren are taking a keener interest in Masonic study and research and fully appreciate the wonderful work of the Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Education.

In conclusion I wish to take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks, and appreciation for the honour conferred upon me by being allowed and privileged to serve in this capacity, and to tender to all officers, members, and more especially the ever faithful secretary of each lodge in the District my ever grateful thanks. I shall ever treasure the many friendships established as the result of the year's work, and may that true spirit of Masonry ever continue to abound. To have served as your District Deputy Grand Master for the 1936-37, has been an honour and a privilege.

Fraternally submitted,

H. M. CONNOR, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 9

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A. F. & A. M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 9.

The District Meeting was held at Whitewood on Sept 28th 1936 at 2.30 p.m., with all lodges in the District represented, and a splendid attendance of members from the various lodges helped to make a very interesting meeting.

The meeting was honoured by the presence of M.W. the G.M., J. W. Estey, and M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate, Grand Secretary.

Discussions on various topics were lively and enlightening. M.W. Bro. Tate, in his usual good form, gave valuable information and sound advice. The questions of "Inter-lodge visiting", "A Mason's attitude towards others", etc., were dealt with and caused considerable discussion. The Grand Secretary then demonstrated the opening and closing ceremonies, after which a Board of Installed Masters was held and instruction given, before calling the recess.

At the evening session, M.W. Bro. Estey and M.W. Bro. Tate answered the questions which had been placed in the question box. W. Bro. Clark of Connaught Lodge No. 80, Windthorst, was elected D.D.G.M. for the ensuing term of office. An interesting paper on "Masonry and the Church" was given by W. Bro. Marriott of Composite Lodge. The M.W. the G.M. then delivered a most inspiring and instructive address on world topics, which was listened to with great interest by all present.

During my term of office, I visited all lodges in the District. I found all officers doing their utmost to keep up interest, in spite of adverse outside conditions. Masonic research committees are striving to make lodge meetings more attractive and in many cases report favourably. I noticed considerable visiting between certain lodges, especially White-wood, Rocanville and Welwyn, but some lodges do not make much effort to encourage this work. In order to stimulate inter-lodge visits, I have put into use a travelling square. The lodge holding the square asks another lodge to come for it, at the same time inviting a third lodge to come for the ceremony, thus bringing three lodges together on each occasion. I hope that the results of this move will show to advantage in next years report. Clashing of dates of meetings hinders, to a certain extent, visiting between some lodges and I have asked the brethren to remedy this, if possible. The general topic in most lodges is the question of "fees". These are considered too high for rural districts, where crops have been very light for several years. One suggestion worthy of consideration is, that sons of members be allowed to join at a reduced fee, thus keeping fathers and sons together, rather than having sons join other societies where fees are lower. I understand that this question is being taken up at the next meeting of Grand Lodge. Arrears of dues is another factor dealt with, and all lodges are doing what they can to remedy the situation. Last year's report by the Committee on Condition of Masonry, re increase of arrears in District No. 9. The fact that four lodges had been incorporated in this district evidently accounted for much of the increase, and as no crops of any account were harvested in 1936, a further increase is almost sure to accrue this year. Members feel that they cannot conscientiously suspend a good brother who, through no fault of his own, becomes delinquent, and they feel that it is better to carry him until conditions improve. In all lodges I found a good Masonic spirit prevailing amongst the brethren, in spite of trying conditions. The officers are doing all they can to stimulate interest, and in most cases are receiving the support of the brethren of their lodge. Several lodges in this District cover large territories, and this in many cases reduces attendance, except in summer months.

On October 28th, on invitation, I visited Reston Lodge in District No. 6, Manitoba, on the occasion of the official visit of the D.D.G.M., R.W. Bro. S. McBride of Napinka. Five P.D.D.G.Ms. were also in attendance, as well as Bro. Bracken, Premier of Manitoba and five of his Cabinet Ministers, all brother Masons. An enjoyable evening was spent by over 100 brethren.

On November 19th it was my privilege to be present at the 50th anniversary celebration of Moosomin Lodge No. 7. Two hundred brethren and their ladies attended. On this occasion, M.W. Bro. Estey, Grand Master, and M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate, Grand Secretary, were present and gave wonderful addresses which were greatly appreciated by all present. R.W. Bro. McKay acted as Chairman, in his usual capable manner, and called upon several members of the craft to give short talks. R.W. Bro. F. Manning of Reston, Manitoba, undertook the task of enlightening the ladies on the several Masonic secrets, which he did in an accomplished manner. These talks were interspersed with a fine program of music and readings, after which M.W. Bro. Estey, without injury to himself or others, cut the large birthday cake. A buffet lunch brought a very successful evening to a close.

It has been a great pleasure and privilege to me to visit the various lodges as D.D.G.M., and I take this opportunity to thank the Brethren of District No. 9 for the great honour conferred upon me. Also for the courtesy, kindness and help extended to me during my term of office. I

value highly the many friendships established as a result of this year's work, and trust that we may live long to enjoy many re-unions.

Fraternally submitted,

C. S. HEWITT, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 10.

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 10 which consists of twelve lodges, all of which I visited once excepting Aurora No. 45 Theodore which lodge I hope to be able to visit at their May meeting.

The District Meeting was held in Yorkton on October 21st with a very good attendance, 10 out of the 12 lodges being represented. We were very pleased to have with us on this occasion the M.W. the Grand Master and M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate, Grand Secretary. The afternoon session was opened at 3 p.m. by the D.D.G.M. After the introduction of the M.W. the Grand Master and Grand Secretary, who were received and accorded the Grand Honours the business routine was proceeded with following which some very interesting discussion took place on "How to make Lodge Meetings interesting"; the Grand Secretary giving some good ideas in his very able manner. The opening and closing ceremonies, and parts of the First Degree were then exemplified, the brethren taking keen interest in the work, after which, the Grand Secretary requested the brethren to place any questions they may have in the question box, and same would be answered at evening session. A Board of Installed Masters was opened and given instruction by the Grand Secretary.

The evening session opened promptly at 7.30 p.m., the first order of business being the selection of D.D.G.M. W. Bro. De Roche of Melville Lodge No. 62 being elected. During the time the scrutineers were counting the ballots the Grand Secretary answered the questions placed in the box. The brethren then listened to a very inspiring address by W. Bro. Crossthwaite of Yorkton Lodge entitled "Masonry and the Church", and also a very educative and interesting address by the M.W. the Grand Master.

I thoroughly appreciate the whole hearted courtesy with which I was received at all lodges visited, I was fortunate in securing the co-operation of some lodges to make an interchange of visits, as a result of these visits I had the opportunity of meeting and fraternizing with the officers and brethren twice.

I was well pleased with the efficiency shown by the officers of the various lodges, at most places visited either the First or Second degree was exemplified the work in most cases being well done. I feel that something might be said in regard to the arrears of dues in this District, as in my opinion they are very much out of proportion to the membership, and seem to be having a very strong tendency to curtail the attendance, however it is gratifying to note that those who keep up regular attendance are earnest in their endeavours, and possibly with improvement of general conditions, some of the arrears will be paid up in the near future. Some new members are coming in at different points which is a good sign. It has been suggested to me by some of the lodges to have the Installation changed from St. John the Evangelist anniversary to that of St. John the Baptist thereby enabling two or three lodges to hold a

joint installation ceremony. I recommend this to the consideration of those lodges to deal with where they consider it would be of mutual and material benefit to do so.

The cordial welcome and kindly assistance extended to me by all lodges is something I will not soon forget and in my humble efforts as D.D.G.M. if I have contributed anything to the good of the Order I shall feel more than repaid.

Faternally submitted,

A. G. BUCK, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 11

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 11.

The District Meeting was held in Swift Current at the Masonic Temple on Monday July 20th, 1936, commencing at 2.30 p.m. All lodges in the District were represented and 91 members signed the register. We were honoured with the presence of the M.W. the Grand Master and M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate, Grand Secretary, who were received with Grand Honours.

R.W. Bro. J. L. Gaffield read the report of R.W. Bro. Dr. J. A. Stewart, D.D.G.M. for the District for 1935-36. The M.W. the Grand Master presented a Past D.D.G.M.'s jewel to R.W. Bro. Gaffield as a token of appreciation from District No. 11. Discussions took place regarding "How to make Lodge meetings interesting" and "The relationship of the Constituent Lodge to Grand Lodge." There was an exemplification of the Opening and Closing Ceremonies. The M.W. the Grand Secretary gave helpful information and instruction. The close of the afternoon session was followed by a Board of Installed Masters.

At the evening session, W. Bro. Wm. J. McKenzie of Sceptre Lodge No. 140 was elected D.D.G.M. for the ensuing term. W. Bro. James Robinson of Cabri Lodge gave a splendid paper on "Masonry and the Church", and the M.W. the Grand Master gave an interesting and inspiring address on Masonry, which was greatly appreciated.

I have had the pleasure of visiting all of the lodges in the District. The following list shows the dates of official visits and the work conferred or exemplified for inspection.

July 27, 1936.	Leader Lodge No. 142.	Third Degree conferred.
Sept. 2, 1936.	Sceptre Lodge No. 140.	First Degree exemplified.
Sept. 7, 1936.	Morse Lodge No. 93.	First Degree exemplified.
Sept. 21, 1936.	Cypress Lodge No. 70.	First Degree exemplified.
Sept. 24, 1936.	Maple Leaf Lodge No. 9.	Third Degree exemplified.
Oct. 20, 1936.	Herbert Lodge No. 180.	First Degree exemplified.
Oct. 27, 1936.	Lancer Lodge No. 123.	Second Degree exemplified.
Apr. 5, 1937.	Cabri Lodge No. 119.	First Degree conferred.
Apr. 21, 1937.	Progressive Lodge No. 141.	First Degree exemplified.
Apr. 22, 1937.	Mount Hermon Lodge No. 124.	First Degree conferred.
May 4, 1937.	Swift Current Lodge No. 26.	First Degree exemplified.

In all lodges I have found harmony among the brethren and the officers proficient with their work, with one exception, and in that case I have been assured that an improvement in the officers' work has since been effected.

A number of excellent papers were read at meetings I attended and much interest has been shown in Masonic Education and Research but there is room for further improvement. In Ontario there is a system by which the D.D.G.M. names a Supervisor of Masonic Education and the Supervisor chooses representatives in the individual lodges. When the right men are obtained they are not changed but are permitted to carry on from year to year. I believe such a plan if put into operation here would be of great assistance to those now interested in Masonic Education and would give continuity to their work.

In conclusion, let me thank the many brethren throughout the District for the privilege I have had, and the friendships I have renewed or formed in endeavouring to serve you as District Deputy Grand Master. I have been the recipient of so many courtesies and kindly attentions wherever I visited, that I am unable adequately to convey to you how greatly I appreciate all your kindnesses. I am especially grateful to the past masters and members of Mount Hermon Lodge who accompanied me on my visits. Their loyalty and support has given me real satisfaction and rendered my task a very pleasant one.

Fraternally submitted,

A. E. MISCAMPBELL, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 12

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 12.

The District Meeting was held at Rosetown on July 30th at 2.30 p.m. sharp.

The M.W. the Grand Master, J. W. Estey, accompanied by M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate, Grand Secretary, were received with Grand Honours. Forty-seven members were present at the afternoon and seventy-one at the evening session. Seldom have the members at a District Meeting heard such a stirring address from one of the Craft as that given by Bro. S. C. Hall of Victoria Lodge No. 82, Alsask, on "Masonry and the Church". Those who were not present to hear it were indeed unfortunate. The Grand Master's subject, "Important Things of Masonry", was both interesting and instructive. The Question box was, as usual, a feature of the evening session. Several questions were presented and were answered by M.W. Bro. Tate in his usual competent manner.

W. Bro. Jacobs of Tuberosa Lodge No. 181 was elected D.D.G.M. for 1937-38.

I visited all the lodges in the district and am pleased to report that Masonry has held its own in spite of the difficulties it has had to contend with during the past few years.

In conclusion I would like to thank the Brethren of District No. 12 for electing me to this high office. The many kindnesses shown me during my visits I shall not soon forget and I trust that I have, in some small way, during my term of office contributed something toward the advancement of Masonry in this district.

Fraternally submitted,

R. E. BISHOP, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 13

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 13.

The District Meeting was held at Macklin July 29th 1936. Lodges were well represented by over 100 members and seventy-four of which were voting delegates. The meeting was honoured by the presence of M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate, Grand Secretary; M.W. Bro. J. W. MacNeill, Past Grand Master; W. Bro. W. L. Clink of Battleford, and several P.D.D.G.M's. were present.

A discussion on "How to make the Lodge meetings interesting" was introduced by the Grand Secretary, and many useful suggestions were made. A discussion on the relation of the Constituent Lodge to Grand Lodge was opened by M.W. Bro. MacNeill, the general feeling being satisfaction with Grand Lodge.

The Grand Secretary exemplified the opening and closing exercises in the three degrees.

At 6 p.m. a banquet was held celebrating the 25th anniversary of Meridian Lodge, which was very much enjoyed.

W. Bro. H. M. Earle of St. Luke's Lodge No. 165 was declared elected as D.D.G.M. for District No. 13. The questions submitted in the question box were fully answered by the Grand Secretary, W. Bro. J. R. McDonald of Prairie Lodge No. 57 gave an address on "Masonry and the Church", which was very much appreciated.

M.W. Bro. MacNeill spoke on the benefits to be derived from District Meetings, and on the fundamental principals of Freemasonry, and W. Bro. Clink spoke briefly.

I have visited each of the 12 lodges in the district (except Loverna Lodge No. 149 which has not met since Sept. 9th, 1936, and will not resume meetings until conditions improve), and find Masonry in good condition considering the conditions which are facing the members in the different lodges.

The spirit shown by the officers and members in meeting the situation arising from several crop failures is certainly to be commended. Some of the lodges are getting low in finances due to the heavy load of arrears they are carrying, but are making an honest effort to clear up their arrears which some lodges have done very well.

I have every reason to believe that with the return of favorable crops District 13 will make a full recovery and hold its own with any of the districts in the Grand Jurisdiction. I find a good interest taken in Educational and Research work, in most of the lodges, and have encouraged it along with the social side of Masonry.

In closing I wish to express my appreciation for the honour of being elected D.D.G.M. of District No. 13, and of having had the privilege of meeting the Brethren in their various lodges. It has been a real pleasure to visit them and any small effort on my part was amply repaid by the kind and courteous treatment extended to me on my official visits.

Fraternally submitted,

J. M. SCOTT, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 14

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 14.

Another year of trial and difficulty owing to continued drouth and crop failure has passed into history in District No. 14 and while the year just passed has been somewhat "tougher" than those immediately preceding, it is comforting to note that in spite of the "slings and arrows" of unfriendly weather conditions and their attending adversities, the Spirit of Masonry is still predominant, somewhat battered in spots perhaps, as an increase in arrearages would indicate, but calmly confident that the firm foundations of our Fraternity have not been impaired, and we can still look forward with faith and hope toward a brighter era in the near future, for just as sure as history repeats, cycles of drouth and generous rainfall alternate with more or less regularity, and we Masons in the "drouth area" are not downhearted as some would have you believe, and while it's always darkest "just before the dawn", we'll get those rains again, then watch us go.

The District Meeting was held at Kincaid on July 15th, with an attendance of 116, all except one lodge being represented. Grand Lodge officers present included M.W. Bro. J. W. Estey, G.M.; M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate, G. Sec.; R.W. Bro. Underhill, G.J.W.; and V.W. Bro. T. H. Porter, G.S.

The progressive spirit in District No. 14 was shown in the several discussions, particularly in "How to make the meetings more interesting." W. Bro. A. H. Stevens gave a very instructive address on "Masonry and the Church", and the Officers of Vanguard Lodge No. 194 exemplified opening and closing in the several degrees.

The Grand Master's address on "Masonic Principles" was particularly suited to the period of uncertainty through which we are passing, and revealed him as having a strong grasp of the general situation, and a sympathetic understanding of the problems affecting the rank and file of our citizens.

W. Bro. J. R. Pilson of Vanguard No. 194 was elected to the office of D.D.G.M., a well skilled P.M. who I am sure will effectively promote the welfare of the Craft.

Several outstanding meetings were held during the past year, where inter-lodge visiting contributed to their success. Shaunavon perhaps taking the lead with their Scotch, English and Irish "nights" with appropriate programme in line with the nationality featured. Vanguard also had a rousing Masonic rally last fall which will long be remembered and Azure No. 122 held a splendid meeting on September 30th when the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary dedicated the new temple at Eastend according to ancient custom. 26 lodges were represented on the visitors register, a goodly number coming from south of the International boundary added a note of color to the occasion. I believe these international visits have good results and should be continued. Woodrow, Meyronne and Kincaid have set the pace with regard to fraternal interchanges with the Montana Brethren and I had the pleasure of visiting the Glasco Lodge last fall with about 35 members of the three lodges mentioned with splendid results to all concerned.

In connection with visiting I may state that the travelling gavel presented by my good predecessor R.W. Bro. Elliott, have done con-

siderable good in stimulating visiting, but unfortunately owing to blocked roads last winter they got "stalled" at Azure for some time, but I trust these messengers of goodwill will keep in circulation again this year with the same healthy effect as before.

The question of arrears of dues is one of real concern, and is being dealt with in various ways by the several lodges. It is recognised that brothers are rather reluctant to attend lodge when far in arrears, and attendance suffers as a result, and cancellations of substantial amounts rather than wholesale suspensions has been the general method adopted, and committees have been working effecting compromise arrangements with the view of retaining and reinstating all worthy brethren where it is at all possible, which I believe is showing the proper masonic spirit. This question I think should receive some further consideration at our next District meeting.

I was able to visit eleven lodges personally and R.W. Bro. Hooker of Woodrow, kindly came to my assistance and visited the other two on my behalf, as my work made it impossible for me to cover Verwood and Meyronne on their regular meeting nights, and I was reluctant to call emergent meetings, although I was obliged to do so in the case of St. John's in order to have reports completed by the end of April.

I wish to thank the officers and brethren of the various lodges for the kindly and courteous treatment accorded me while sojourning among them. It has been a real pleasure to perform this duty and I shall always treasure the friendships I have established through this work, my only regret is that the length of my "cable tow" prevented me from spending more time and making more visits. However my hope is that I may have been able to do good in my humble way, and my wish that my successor R.W. Bro. Pilson will have the same kindly welcomes that were accorded me and that the coming year will be better and brighter in every way is most sincere. All of which is humbly and fraternally submitted.

W. G. BOCK, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 15

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 15.

This District comprises 10 country lodges with a membership of approximately 462 Master Masons and I have visited every lodge once and those lodges which held their installations in December, I visited twice.

The District Meeting was held at Lanigan on Thursday, July 23rd, 1936, eight lodges being represented, when M.W. Bro. J. W. Estey, Grand Master, and M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate, Grand Secretary, were introduced by W. Bro. W. F. Howard and accorded Grand Honours. The programme laid down by Grand Lodge was followed and included addresses by the M.W. the Grand Master, R.W. Bro. P. Spurgeon and V.W. Bro. R. H. Nicholson, and M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate exemplified parts of the ritual. Between the afternoon and evening sessions a delightful lunch was served by the ladies of the O.E.S., on the lawn at the residence of W. Bro. J. R. Argue, W.M. of Lanigan Lodge. At the evening session, W. Bro. J. E. Parkinson, Invermay Lodge, No. 102, was selected as D.D.G.M. for the ensuing year.

I am summarizing the results of my official visits and reports received from the various lodges under the headings suggested by the Committee on Condition of Masonry, so as to give as complete a picture as possible of the state of Masonry in District No. 15.

1. Lodge Attendance: Lodge attendances show an average of 44.5% of resident members, a slight increase over 1935. I have endeavoured to promote an improvement during the present year by having all lodges put on special Visitors' Nights and other functions, when there is no degree work. In this connection, Invermay Lodge, No. 102, with the smallest membership, boasts of the highest average of 70%, a particularly good record.

2. Historical Registers: All historical registers are now up to date, but I note a lack of uniformity in writing up lodge history. Most of the lodges have this work in the hands of a capable P.M., and their histories include many interesting items. One lodge, however, during the past five years has noted only the official visit of the D.D.G.M. in each year, less than one line to a year for an event which is in any case recorded in the lodge minutes. These records should be more expansive and diversified for purposes of reference in years to come.

3. Audits: All lodge finances in this District have been audited within the past eighteen months and these records as a whole are very well kept. Total assets of the ten lodges amount to \$21,855, an increase of \$624 since the last report, and Cash on hand and in the Bank amounts to \$3090, an increase of \$634.

4. Masonic Education and Research: Eight lodges out of the ten in District No. 15 follow a regular system in this branch of the work, some using the papers sent out from the Grand Secretary's office and others making up their own. The two lodges not following a definite plan of research are suffering masonically on this account.

5. Arrears of Dues: The situation in this regard in this District has been considerably improved during the past 12 months, the total for the ten lodges being \$1078, a decrease of \$425, with the promise of a further reduction this year.

6. Reading of G. M's Address, etc: All lodges report that these parts of the Proceedings have been read in open lodge and there appears to be a greater interest among the members generally in the proceedings of Grand Lodge.

7. Inter-Lodge Visitation: There is an increasing interest in this branch of Masonic activity throughout the District and I have urged lodges to hold at least one special Visitors' Night during the season of open highways.

8. General: During the year Silver Jubilee celebrations were held by Wadena Lodge, No. 87, and Lanigan Lodge, No. 84, while Prince Rupert Lodge, No. 35 (Humboldt) celebrated its thirtieth birthday. These three functions were well attended by present and past members and distinguished visitors were present from every part of the Province. While there is a net decrease during the past year of 13 members, caused by a surplus of demits, suspensions, etc., over initiations, affiliations and reinstatements, I feel that the condition of Masonry in District No. 15 has improved in general interest and also financially, and that a continued improvement may be looked for as the result of better times. Some of the lodges have changed their dates for meeting to facilitate inter-lodge visitation.

9. Recommendations: There is a feeling among the lodges that this District might with advantage be changed back to include the ten lodges, which were included as the District some ten years ago, viz, all the lodges from Viscount to Bredenbury inclusive on the C.P.R. and

Highway No. 14. This would put the whole district on a through gravel highway in the summer and on a main-line railroad in the winter. I recommend that this be carefully considered by the Committee.

I wish to convey to all the officers and brethren in District No. 15 my sincere appreciation of their co-operation, kindness and patience during my term of office. I was made most welcome during my visits and I found that all the Secretaries—who are the lodges key-men were willing and anxious to help me in every way in my work.

I thank the brethren for the honour they conferred upon me and I have made every effort during the past year to make some small contribution towards the betterment of Masonry in this District and hope that I am leaving it just a little better than when I took over my duties. Finally, I commend to the brethren my successor, R.W. Bro. J. E. Parkinson, and would bespeak for him the same courtesy and kindness that has always been accorded to me.

Fraternally submitted,

CYRIL STACKHOUSE, D.D.G M

DISTRICT No. 16

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 16.

The meeting for District No. 16 was held in the Masonic Temple at Govan, on July 27th, 1936. Although the M.W. the Grand Master was unavoidably absent for the afternoon session, M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate and V.W. Bro. R. A. Tate, were present throughout the meetings.

Much of the discussion during the meetings was on how to induce a better attendance and create more interest in the local lodge meetings.

V.W. Bro. J. Nottingham gave a very splendid address on "Freemasonry and the Church." The Grand Masters address at the evening session was listened to with much interest.

There are eleven lodges in District No. 16. I have visited each of them once and some of them twice. I found that Freemasonry is standing up through trying times, equal to or better than most other walks of life. Almost all lodges have conferred degrees during the year, with some receiving four or more candidates. There has been a very marked improvement. New members have joined and finances have been improved. The better conditions start from toward the end of 1936, when better crops were harvested. I have no exact data on hand but would think the district on the whole will gain in membership over the year. While many Masters and Past Masters are very proficient in conferring degrees, we seem to need more Masons to do the follow-up work. For it always seems to me that when new members receive their third degree, too often their Masonic education ceases; whereas this should be the point from which Freemasonry (in its truest form) should start. I have urged our younger brethren to memorize the charges and the working tools and to study their meaning; also to learn those other parts which most appeal to them. All lodge quarters seem to be quite suitable and sufficiently well-equipped for our purpose.

A Mason should use his Masonic knowledge to direct his actions in his community and in bringing up his family, for the greatest contribution we can make to Society is a well brought up child and a well in-

fluenced neighbour. As surely as we leave our photos behind us, which are visible, we leave our invisible personalities behind us in the forms of others.

"Lives of great men all remind us,
We can make our lives sublime,
And departing leave behind us
Footprints in the sands of time."

We have the opportunity to leave behind us footprints, that time, storms, nor eternity can never wash out.

Fraternally submitted,

E. F. RICHARDSON, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 17

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 17.

The District Meeting was held at Lucky Lake on July 16th, 1936, with all the lodges in the District represented except two. The meeting opened at 2.30 p.m. when the M.W. the Grand Master; M.W. Bro. Tate, Grand Secretary, and R.W. Bro. Miscampbell, D.D.G.M. for District No. 11 were received and accorded the Grand Honours.

After the minutes of the last District Meeting were read and approved M.W. Bro. Tate took charge and lead the discussion on (a) How to make the Lodge meetings interesting; (b) The relation of the Constituent Lodges to Grand Lodge, also opening and closing ceremonies. The Grand Secretary also opened a Board of Installed Masters and gave instruction on same. The meeting adjourned at 5.30 p.m. and reopened at 7.30 p.m. when W. Bro. J. Greer of Sovereign Lodge was elected D.D. G.M. for the coming year.

The Grand Secretary then opened the question box and gave a very clear explanation of the various questions asked. R.W. Bro. Cocks of Riverhurst Lodge gave an interesting address on "Masonry and the Church", and V.W. Bro. L. Douslin of Sovereign Lodge gave a paper on "When I am a Mason". Both of which were greatly appreciated by everyone present.

The M.W. the Grand Master then gave a very instructive and inspiring address which brought to a close a very profitable meeting.

During my term of office I visited every lodge in the District at least once. I found a very capable set of officers in each lodge, and carrying on wonderfully well under the present difficult times.

Inter-visitation between lodges is practiced to quite an extent in the district, which helps considerably to stimulate the interest.

The arrears of dues are still a vexed problem, but each individual lodge is dealing with its own in a true Masonic spirit.

There is no fear for the present Masonry, but in looking to it's future there is danger as a result of the difficult times through which we are passing. Some of the lodges in the district have suffered a depleted membership, and there is also a dearth of candidates which makes their future look rather dark. Could it not be arranged to have the initiation fees lowered, so that young men through no fault of their own would not

be barred from the privileges of Masonry, and also help build it up and make it safer for the future, while the financial standing of those particular Districts are at a low ebb. The moral standing is just as high or perhaps higher than it was in better times, so I do not think there would be any danger of any undesirable material passing through our portals through reduced fees.

In conclusion I wish to thank the brethren of District No. 17 for the honour they conferred on me by electing me as their D.D.G.M. and if I have been of some service to the Craft I feel well repaid.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN SINCLAIR, D.D.G.M.

Report of Grand Treasurer

The Grand Treasurer, R.W. Bro. A. C. Garner, submitted the following report, which, on motion of R.W. Bro. A. C. Garner and W. Bro. J. R. Young, was received, and with the Report of the Auditor, referred to the Committee on Finance:

To the M.W. The Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

It was indeed a great honour to be called upon, most unexpectedly, by the Most Worshipful the Grand Master to act as Grand Treasurer and to finally assume the duties of that high office necessitated by the unexpected illness finally resulting in death of our beloved Right Worshipful Bro. James C. Moore. Being fortunate enough to know R.W. Bro. Moore as a man, a Mason and a pioneer it is but fitting that I, in submitting this report, should pay my humble tribute to him.

The details of the Benevolent Fund payments will be found in the report of the President of the Board.

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

For the Year Ended March 31st, 1937.

GENERAL FUND

Receipts:

Cash on hand March 31st, 1936:		
Contingent Fund..	\$	50.00
Bank Balance March 31st, 1936.		3,351.75
Dues and Fees:		
Membership Dues	\$	7,095.40
Initiation Fees		1,012.00
Affiliation Fees		136.00
Commuted Life Memberships		1,144.00
Past Master and Other Certificates		134.00
		9,521.40
General Receipts:		
Dispensations		119.00
Sale of Supplies.		413.50
Interest on Bonds, etc.		813.74
Benevolent Fund Grant		100.00
Refund, Masonic Relief.		75.00
Refund on Grand Treasurer's Bond		2.95
		1,524.19
		\$ 14,447.34

Payments:

Travelling Expenses, G.M., D.D.G.M's., Grand Secretary and Board of General Purposes	\$ 1,784.63
Salaries and Honoraria	5,030.00
Rents	1,210.00
Supplies for Resale	162.50
P.G.M's. Regalia.	165.00
Bonds for Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary and Asst... .	25.00
Flowers	9.00
Printing, Postage and Stationery	1,364.33
Sundry Office Expenses	180.34
Miscellaneous Grand Lodge Expenses	269.45
Masonic Relief and Charity.. . . .	50.00
Furniture.. . . .	103.31
Cash in hands of Assistant Grand Secretary Contingent Fund	50.00
Bank Balance less outstanding cheques	4,043.78
	<u>\$ 14,447.34</u>

BENEVOLENT FUND

Receipts:

Bank Balances, March 31st, 1936	\$ 6,390.71
Refund of Advances.	552.35
Initiation Levy	2,530.00
Per Capita Levy	4,723.60
Interest on Bonds and Bank Interest	16,292.25
Bonds Redeemed.	33.65
Bonds sold	1,114.00
	<u>\$ 31,636.56</u>

Payments:

Grant to General Fund.	\$ 100.00
Trustees Expenses.	91.40
Relief Payments	16,268.48
Bonds Purchased.	\$ 9,845.00
Accrued interest	12.94
	<u>9,857.94</u>
Bank Balances March 31st, 1937	
Savings	5,151.00
Current Account	167.74
	<u>5,318.74</u>
	<u>\$ 31,636.56</u>

EDUCATIONAL FUND

Receipts:

Bank Balance, March 31st, 1936	\$ 301.44
Interest on Bonds and at Bank	92.07
	<u>\$ 393.51</u>

Payments:

Bank Balance, March 31st, 1937	\$	393.51
	\$	393.51

Fraternally submitted,

A. C. GARNER,
Grand Treasurer.

Audited and found correct.

J. W. ROSBOROUGH, C.A.,
Auditor.

Report of Auditor

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:—

I have audited the books and accounts of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer and submit the following schedules which, in my opinion, sets out the true financial position of the Grand Lodge General Fund and Benevolent Fund.

Schedule "A"—Benevolent Fund Investments.

Schedule "B"—General Fund Investments.

Schedule "C"—Educational Fund Investment.

Revenue Accounts and Balance Sheet for the General Fund, Benevolent Fund and Educational Fund, also a consolidated Surplus Account.

A statement of receipts and payments for the General Fund, Benevolent Fund and Educational Fund will be submitted by the Grand Treasurer, all of which have been audited by me and found correct.

The details of the payments from Benevolent Fund will be submitted by the President of the Benevolent Fund Trustees.

All securities, as shown by the several schedules, were examined on May 8th and found in order, also supplies on hand checked.

Thirty-six lodges remitted dues under the provision of the resolution passed in 1934. Only ten lodges deducted over \$5.00 a total of \$89.00 and the other twenty-six deducted a total of \$53.00. There were 1066 members in the group of 10 or a saving of 8.35 cents each and 2015 members in the group of 26 or a saving of 2.63 cents each. Several lodges said the member for whom dues were cancelled was receiving assistance from the benevolent fund. One lodge cancelled dues for a brother who is a missionary in China. I do not understand these to be cancellations in accordance with the resolution.

Lodge number 65 did not send in its returns before the end of March and was reported to the Grand Master. Returns have come in since but are not included in the statements submitted.

There is a small surplus in each fund for the year and the total increase in surplus is \$7938.63. The total relief payments from Benevolent Fund were \$16,268.48 and refunds received \$552.35 leaving the net expenditure on account of relief \$15,716.13.

Schedule A—BENEVOLENT FUND INVESTMENTS

Province of Saskatchewan Bonds		Face Value	Book Value
4 %	1957	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 752.40
4 %	1953	2,000.00	1,701.60
4½ %	1945	1,000.00	864.80
4½ %	1955	2,000.00	1,557.60
4½ %	1956	1,000.00	977.50
4½ %	1957	5,000.00	4,610.10
4½ %	1957 F.R.	5,000.00	4,553.20
4½ %	1960	2,000.00	1,595.00
5 %	1943	1,000.00	965.00
5 %	1959	7,000.00	6,200.00
5½ %	1952	2,000.00	1,868.00
5 %	1960 F.L. F.R.	84,500.00	84,014.55
5½ %	1946	23,000.00	24,092.50
6 %	1952	12,000.00	11,571.75
5 %	1954 F.L. Registered	46,000.00	42,958.30
5 %	1958	21,000.00	18,560.00
5 %	1959	15,000.00	13,050.00
Dominion Government Guarantee			
3 %	1962 G.T.P.	973.33	968.46
3 %	1948-52 C.N.R. Int. Cert.	3,000.00	2,925.00
4½ %	1956 C.N.R.	5,000.00	5,422.50
5 %	1954 C.N.R. F.R.	40,500.00	46,980.00
4 %	1945 Dominion of Canada	500.00	532.50
3½ %	1956-66 Dominion of Canada	1,000.00	990.00
4½ %	1948-58 Dominion of Canada	1,000.00	1,105.00
3 %	1966 Dominion of Canada	5,000.00	4,825.00
7 %	1940 Town of Moosomin	159.90	159.90
6 %	1950 Saskatoon S.D. No. 13	1,000.00	1,119.90
6½ %	1951 Regina S.D. No. 4	2,000.00	2,206.00
5 %	1953 City of Moose Jaw	2,000.00	1,960.60
4½ %	1959 City of Saskatoon.	10,000.00	8,758.00
5 %	1941 City of Saskatoon.	500.00	435.00
5 %	1959 City of Saskatoon.	1,000.00	950.50
4½ %	1949 City of Regina	2,000.00	1,874.40
5 %	1957 City of Regina	3,000.00	3,023.40
5 %	1959 City of Regina	5,000.00	4,875.00
5 %	1940 City of Regina	1,000.00	900.00
6½ %	1941 City of Regina	2,000.00	2,258.00
4 %	1966 City of Prince Albert	12,166.66	6,691.66
		<u>\$329,299.89</u>	<u>\$318,853.12</u>

Schedule B—GENERAL FUND INVESTMENTS

5½ %	1946 Province of Saskatchewan	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,200.00
4½ %	1951 Province of Saskatchewan	10,000.00	7,911.00
5 %	1957 City of Regina	2,000.00	2,015.60
3 %	1962 G.T. Pac. Dom. Govt. Guarantee	1,460.00	965.63
		<u>\$ 17,460.00</u>	<u>\$ 15,092.23</u>

Schedule C—EDUCATIONAL FUND

4½ %	1960 Province of Saskatchewan	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,595.00
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GENERAL FUND—Revenue Account

For the Year Ended 31st March, 1937.

Revenue:

Dues, Fees, etc., collected.....	\$ 9,460.80	
Dues, Fees, etc., reported and not paid	35.10	
		\$ 9,495.90
Dispensations		119.00
Interest earned on Bonds.....		813.74
Profit on Sale of Supplies		138.55
Grant from Benevolent Fund.....		100.00
Refund Masonic Relief.....		75.00
		<u>\$ 10,742.19</u>

Expenditure:

Travelling Expenses:

D.D.G.M's.	\$ 831.51	
Board of General Purposes	462.99	
G.M., Grand Secretary and Assistant	490.13	
		\$ 1,784.63
Salaries and Honoraria		5,030.00
Printing, Postage and Stationery.....		1,364.33
Rents		1,210.00
Flowers		9.00
P.G.M's. Regalia.....		165.00
Sundry Office Expenses		180.34
Bonds, Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary and Assistant ..		22.05
Masonic Relief and Charity.....		50.00
Miscellaneous Grand Lodge Expenses		269.45
Depreciation of Furniture		111.58
Depreciation of Regalia.....		26.63
Net Revenue to Surplus		519.18
		<u>\$ 10,742.19</u>

GENERAL FUND—Balance Sheet

As at March 31st, 1937.

Assets:

Contingent Fund Cash in hands of Assistant Grand Secretary	\$ 50.00
Bank Balance, less outstanding cheques.	4,043.78
Supplies for resale	631.16
Furniture less depreciation	1,694.64
Regalia, less depreciation	399.50
Investments as per Schedule "B".....	15,092.23
Accrued Interest on Bonds	342.03
Suspense	19.80
Arrears outstanding	118.90
	<u>\$ 22,392.04</u>

Liabilities:

Surplus as at March 31st, 1936.....	\$ 21,872.86
Add Surplus for current year.....	519.18
	<u>\$ 22,392.04</u>
	<u>\$ 22,392.04</u>

BENEVOLENT FUND—Revenue Account
For Year Ended March 31st, 1937.

Revenue:

Initiation Levy.....	\$ 2,530.00
Per Capita Levy—Collected.....	\$ 4,683.20
Per Capita Levy—Uncollected.....	23.40
	<u>4,706.60</u>
Interest earned.....	16,042.41
	<u>\$23,279.01</u>

Expenditure:

Relief Payments less Refunds.....	\$ 15,716.13
Grant to General Fund.....	100.00
Expenses Board of Trustees.....	91.40
Transferred to Capital Surplus.....	7,236.60
Loss on exchange of Bonds.....	44.10
Net Revenue to Surplus.....	90.78
	<u>\$ 23,279.01</u>

BENEVOLENT FUND—Balance Sheet

Assets:

Bank Balances.....	\$ 5,318.74
Initiation Levy reported but unpaid.....	\$ 20.00
Per Capita Levy reported but unpaid.....	81.10
	<u>101.10</u>
Accrued Interest.....	4,029.83
Dues in Suspense.....	13.20
Investments per Schedule A.....	318,853.12
	<u>\$328,315.99</u>

Liabilities:

Capital Surplus as at March 31st, 1936.....	\$295,657.09
Current year's increase per Revenue Account.....	7,236.60
	<u>\$302,893.69</u>
Relief Reserve as at March 31st, 1936.....	25,331.52
Add Surplus for year.....	90.78
	<u>25,422.30</u>
	<u>\$328,315.99</u>

EDUCATIONAL FUND—Revenue Account
For the Year Ended 31st March, 1937.

Revenue:	
Interest earned	\$ 92.07
	<u>\$ 92.07</u>
Expenditure:	
Net Profit for year	\$ 92.07
	<u>\$ 92.07</u>

EDUCATIONAL FUND—Balance Sheet

Assets:	
Bank Balances March 31st, 1937	\$ 393.51
Advances to Teachers	1,670.00
Investments Schedule C	1,595.00
Accrued Interest	3.70
	<u>\$ 3,662.21</u>
Liabilities:	
Surplus as at March 31st, 1936	\$ 3,570.14
Add Net earnings for year	92.07
	<u>\$ 3,662.21</u>

CONSOLIDATED SURPLUS ACCOUNT
For the Year Ended March 31st, 1937

Total Surplus March 31st, 1936	\$346,431.61
Net Gain—General Fund	519.18
Net Gain—Benevolent Fund Capital Account	7,236.60
Net Gain—Benevolent Fund Relief Reserve	90.78
Net Gain—Educational Fund	92.07
	<u>\$354,370.24</u>

Fraternally submitted,
J. W. ROSEBOROUGH, C.A.,
Auditor.

Grand Secretary's Report

The Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate, submitted the following report, which, on motion of M.W. Bros. W. B. Tate and J. McCauley, was received and with the report of the Assistant Grand Secretary, referred to the Committee on Finance:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

I herewith present my 23rd Annual Report as Grand Secretary.

During the past year my attention has been confined to the administration of the Benevolent Fund, Masonic Educational work and such

other matters as were fixed by Grand Lodge in Annual Communication in 1935. The Assistant Grand Secretary had charge of all detail work in the Grand Lodge office and he will submit his report in due course.

Benevolent Fund

Saskatchewan Masons have every reason to be gratified with the work being done to relieve distress through the agency of the Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund. Calls for assistance are increasing year by year and the work of administering the Fund is growing in volume. During the past year 26 new cases have been added to our list of beneficiaries; we have rendered assistance in 111 cases, and cheques have been sent out quarterly to the lodges disbursing this assistance. At the end of the year a return was obtained from each lodge receiving assistance accounting for the disposal of the amount granted, together with a statement from the beneficiary giving particulars as to health, means of livelihood etcetera. Three full meetings of the Board of Trustees were held during the year in addition to a number of meetings of the Executive.

Masonic Education

Among the many activities of Grand Lodge in recent years none has rendered a richer return than our efforts to disseminate Masonic knowledge among the Craft. Our educational work has put us in the fore front of Grand Lodges in Canada in this respect. During the year I have again had the privilege of acting as Secretary to the Committee responsible to Grand Lodge for the carrying on of this work and have supervised the sending out of the monthly outlines and supplied most of the references and questions for discussion.

District Meetings

As soon as possible after the last Annual Communication of Grand Lodge a plan was worked out, in accordance with instructions received from the M.W. the Grand Master, for an itinerary of our Masonic Districts, and the Annual District Meeting for each District was called. Our Grand Master was unable to devote sufficient time to attend all these gatherings before the commencement of harvesting operations and, as he was anxious to visit each District if possible, we arranged, in Districts that were served to a considerable extent by all weather roads, to hold a number of the meetings in the last week in September and the first week in October.

Judging by the marked increase in attendance (in one District it was more than double the best they had ever had at a summer meeting) and the deeper interest manifested in the programme, these fall gatherings seemed to be very popular. Indeed in one District where a fall meeting was held a resolution was passed asking that if possible Grand Lodge Officers arrange to hold all future meetings in the fall rather than in the heat of summer.

It was my privilege to be present at all of the meetings this year and to take part in the work of the afternoon sessions. I was greatly impressed by the interest displayed by those in attendance and the cordiality of the welcome extended to the Grand Lodge Officers. The enthusiasm of the brethren indicated clearly that the District Meeting was looked upon in most lodges as the outstanding feature in the Masonic year.

The importance of these gatherings, attended as they are by the M.W. the Grand Master or his representative and other Grand Lodge Officers, cannot be too strongly magnified. Through these meetings the lodges and their officers are brought into closer touch with Grand Lodge, and its aims and ideals are carried direct to the brethren; instruction is

given in the esoteric work which is becoming more uniform every year; the privilege of inter-lodge visitation is stressed and the social side of Masonry is advanced; while the discussions which take place on the different ways of meeting and overcoming difficulties is of great value.

Special Communication of Grand Lodge

Grand Lodge was convened in Special Communication by the M.W. the Grand Master at Eastend on Wednesday, September 30th, 1936, at 8.00 p.m. for the purpose of dedicating the Masonic Temple of Azure Lodge No. 122. This Temple is a two storey building. The upper floor contains a well appointed lodge room and the ante-rooms. On the ground floor are the club room, banquet hall and kitchen. The building which was erected by the voluntary labour of the brethren during the drouth years will ever be a monument to the ardour and attachment of the Eastend Brethren.

Golden Jubilee Moosomin Lodge

On November 19th, 1936, I had the pleasure, in company with the M.W. the Grand Master, of attending the Golden Jubilee of Moosomin Lodge No. 7. The celebration was held in the Town Hall, Moosomin and was presided over by R.W. Bro. W. J. MacKay, P.D.D.G.M. After the members and visiting Brethren, with their ladies and the widows of deceased brethren, had participated in a most delightful repast the programme was proceeded with. Bro. Dr. L. D. Keown presented a brief history of the lodge in which he depicted the self sacrificing labours of the pioneers of Masonry in the District, the M.W. the Grand Master delivered an inspiring address; and brethren from Windthorst, Kennedy, Wawota, Maryfield, Welwyn, Rocanville, Whitewood and Wapella in Saskatchewan and Elkhorn and Reston in Manitoba, extended greetings.

My association with this lodge dates back thirty-five years and I prized beyond words having the opportunity of being present. No lodge in Saskatchewan has given a greater number of outstanding men to the service of Freemasonry. To have known and been associated with such men as M.W. Bros. Murphy and Elwood, and R.W. Bros. A. H. Smith, D. D. Ellis, Oliver Neff, John Tucker and John McGuirl, all deceased members of Moosomin Lodge, is an inspiration and a privilege and those who attended this celebration could not help but feel that the meeting was a challenge to emulate the noble qualities of these and other pioneers of Masonry in the District. The effect of such an event should be far reaching.

Death of Grand Secretary of Ontario

During the past year one of our best known Canadian Grand Secretaries, R.W. Bro. W. M. Logan, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario, was called from labour. I had known and respected Bro. Logan for many years and the news of his death came as a distinct shock to me. Bro. Logan's influence upon Masonry not only in his native province but all over Canada was far reaching and his passing is a great loss to the Craft.

Conclusion

I wish to take this opportunity to express my appreciation of the kindness extended to me during the year by every member of the Craft with whom I have come in contact. To be the recipient of the sympathetic words and hearty handclaps of the brethren of this jurisdiction makes one feel that they want to carry on and to give of their very best. It has been a distinct privilege to serve with our Grand Master. His graciousness and unfailing courtesy have made the year one that will always live in my memory.

In conclusion Brethren no words could more adequately express my prayer today than the lines of Alfred Noyes, the poet, sung by a monster gathering of Empire Youth in the Royal Albert Hall, London, the Tuesday following the Coronation of our gracious King and Queen as a new verse to the National Anthem.

“Lord God in age and youth
Help us to serve thy truth,
Truth that lives on.
Ageless, where realms go by,
Deathless, while kingdoms die,
Strong in thy strength on high,
Till time be done.”

Fraternally submitted,

W. B. TATE,
Grand Secretary.

Assistant Grand Secretary's Report

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.
Brethren:

I submit herewith my second Annual Report detailing the work of the Grand Lodge Office for the year past.

The Proceedings of the 30th Annual Communication were compiled, printed, and distributed within six weeks after the Communication.

Grand Representatives' Commissions, Certificates for appointed and elected Grand Lodge Officers, M.M. Certificates, P.M. Certificates and L.M. Certificates were promptly prepared and issued as required.

A very considerable amount of work was done with our office mimeograph in mimeographing circulars with reference to District Meetings, list of Elected and Appointed Grand Lodge Officers, Semi-Annual Returns, lists of Suspensions, Rejections and Restorations, Notices of Motion to amend the Constitution, the Notice calling the 31st Annual Communication of Grand Lodge and a great many other subjects in addition, of course, to the monthly papers of the Committee on Masonic Education.

The routine work of the office is up-to-date.

Dispensations

The following Special Dispensations have been issued by direction of the M.W. the Grand Master:

- To Attend Divine Service Wearing Regalia—61.
- To Elect, Install or Elect and Install at Other Than Date Set—27.
- To Act on Petition from without Jurisdiction of Lodge—2.
- To Transact Regular Business at Date other than Set by By-Law—2.
- To Act on Petition of Applicant not Physically Perfect—1.

D.D.G.M. Regalia

The D.D.G.M. regalia of District No. 8 having become completely worn out was turned in to the Grand Lodge Office and on authorization of the Finance Committee was replaced with new regalia.

Returns

The following is a synopsis compiled from the Semi-Annual Returns for August, 1936, and February, 1937:

Total Membership Feb. 29, 1936	12,859
Membership, Feb. 29, 1936, on whom G.L. Dues payable	12,076
Add—Initiated	253
Affiliated	136
Restored	63
	<u>452</u>
Deduct—Demitted	262
Deaths	109
Suspended	232
Commuted Life Members	104
	<u>707</u>
Membership, Feb. 28, 1937, on whom G.L. Dues payable....	11,821
Commuted Life Members, Feb. 29, 1936	783
Added during year..	104
Deaths Commuted Life Members..	18
Commuted Life Members, Feb. 28, 1937.	869
Total Membership, Feb. 28, 1937	12,690
Net Loss	169
Total Number Chartered Lodges	198

Financial Statement

All fees, dues, etc., owing to Grand Lodge for the year ended March 31st, 1937, have been paid with the exception of the following amounts:

	General Fund	Benevolent Fund
Heward Lodge No. 29.	4.50	3.00
Outlook Lodge No. 65	17.20	10.80
Avonlea Lodge No. 156	99.10	73.40
Sharon Lodge No. 170	15.30	24.70
	<u>\$136.10</u>	<u>\$111.90</u>

Since the books closed on March 31st, 1937, Heward Lodge No. 29 and Outlook Lodge No. 65 have paid the arrears as listed above.

By authority of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master an amount of \$33.00 owing by one of our lodges is held in suspense and is not listed above.

Outlook Lodge No. 65 was delinquent in that the February 1937 Return was not filed with this office by the due date as specified by Constitution. The delinquency was reported to the M.W. the Grand Master and the Return subsequently came to hand after the books closed on March 31st, 1937.

The following is a summary of the financial transactions of the office:

Receipts: General Fund.	\$11,045.59
Benevolent Fund.	25,231.42
Educational Fund	90.00
	<u>\$36,367.01</u>
Deposits: General Fund.	\$11,045.59
Benevolent Fund.	25,231.42
Educational Fund	90.00
	<u>\$36,367.01</u>

The Benevolent Fund receipts listed above include a voluntary contribution of \$50.00 from Abernethy Lodge No. 77.

Visitations

On October 6th, 1936, in company with R.W. Bro. W. Murison who Constituted the Lodge on October 19th, 1911, I attended the 25th Anniversary of Govan Lodge No. 68. This splendid meeting at which there were a large number of visiting brethren showed evidence of careful organization on the part, no doubt, of M.W. Bro. J. Orville Clarke. The meeting fittingly marked the Silver Jubilee of this outstanding lodge.

Acting on instructions of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master I attended the 25th Anniversary meeting of Lanigan Lodge No. 84 on October 8th, 1936. The meeting was an outstanding success and a very considerable measure of credit for the success of the meeting is due to R.W. Bro. C. Stackhouse, D.D.G.M. of District No. 15 and Secretary of Lanigan Lodge. It was my privilege to deliver an address on this occasion.

In company with our Most Worshipful Grand Master I attended the 25th Anniversary celebration of Lodge Progress No. 92, Saskatoon, on April 15th, 1937. The brethren of Lodge Progress should be very proud of the splendid manner in which all details in connection with this Anniversary were organized and carried out. It was a most delightful occasion and I am sure would have a very far reaching effect.

On instructions of the M.W. the Grand Master I accompanied M.W. Bro. J. R. Yorke, who represented the Grand Master, to a meeting of Vanguard Lodge No. 194 on October 12th, 1936. This meeting was in the nature of a Masonic Rally and Lodges from the surrounding district were represented in goodly numbers. It was a most enthusiastic and inspiring meeting and no doubt was productive of much good.

Bearing a commission from our Grand Master I had the privilege and pleasure of representing the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan at the 32nd Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Alberta in Calgary on June 9th and 10th. I am sincerely grateful to our Grand Master for having appointed me as his representative on this occasion thereby giving me the opportunity of closely observing the workings of a Sister Grand Lodge. To me the meeting was educational and inspirational. I especially appreciated the opportunity of coming in personal contact with the splendid group of Alberta Masons who were in attendance.

In addition to the above I also attended a great many other meetings both in Regina and at outside points on occasions such as the Installation of Officers or where some special event was being marked.

Sympathy

On January 8th, 1937, I attended the funeral services of the late Mrs. Sendall, wife of V.W. Bro. T. H. Sendall, Grand Chaplain. On February 8th, 1937, I attended the funeral services of the late Mrs. McCauley, wife of M.W. Bro. James McCauley. On February 22nd, 1937, I attended the funeral services for our late R.W. Bro. James C. Moore, Grand Treasurer, and on April 11th, 1937, I attended the funeral services at Briercrest for our late R.W. Bro. E. Kingsbury.

Conclusion

The past year has been a year of hard work but a year that has been a happy one as a result of having had the privilege of working with our Grand Master. His untiring energy, his zeal for Masonry, his high ideals, both personal and Masonic, have been in evidence throughout the year. We sincerely trust that Grand Lodge may long continue to have the benefits of his wide experience, clear judgment and excellent attainments.

I am particularly pleased to report that the records of the past year show that there have been a greater number of additions in our lodges by initiation than during any year since 1931. It is also gratifying to note that the net loss in membership during the past year has been the lowest since it has been necessary to record a loss. One cannot help but appreciate the fact that the same courage and the same faith in the future that prompted our pioneers to form the first lodges in this western country during the pre-railroad days has been very much in evidence amongst our brethren throughout the entire jurisdiction during the past trying years.

Fraternally submitted,

ROBT. A. TATE,
Assistant Grand Secretary.

ADDRESS

The M.W. the Grand Master called on R.W. Bro. Robert Hawkins, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba. Bro. Hawkins tendered the greetings of our Mother Grand Lodge and the personal felicitations of their Most Worshipful Grand Master. He expressed his sincere appreciation for the welcome extended to him and stated that he was looking forward to the opportunity of contrasting the methods of conducting the business in our respective Grand Lodges.

There being no further business on the agenda for the morning session the Grand Master called the Craft from labour to refreshment.

THE FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

Grand Lodge resumed labour at 1.30 p.m., M.W. Bro. J. W. Estey, Grand Master, on the Throne; Grand Officers, Members and Representatives present.

Report of Board of General Purposes

R.W. Bro. M. Musk presented the report of the Board of General Purposes, which, on motion of R.W. Bro. M. Musk and M.W. Bro. R. Young, was adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.
Brethren:

Immediately the thirtieth Annual Communication was concluded on June 18th, 1936, the Board of General Purposes assembled for purposes of organization. The Standing Committees were then selected.

The second meeting of the Board was held in the Masonic Temple, Moose Jaw, on Tuesday, June 15th, 1937. There was a splendid attendance of members and many items incident to this Grand Jurisdiction were dealt with. All of the Standing Committees submitted reports which were examined, received and are now being referred to Grand Lodge.

On the recommendation of the M.W. the Grand Master the Board decided to recommend to Grand Lodge that W. Bro. W. W. Spencer, a

member of Springside Lodge, who allowed himself to be suspended last year by Grand Lodge owing to a misunderstanding on account of being an Honorary Life Member of another Lodge be reinstated by Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

M. MUSK, President.

Bicentenary Celebration First Lodge on Canadian Soil

On motion of M.W. Bros. W. M. Martin and J. W. MacNeill it was resolved that:

This Grand Lodge having learned of the plans of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia to invite representatives of the three Grand Lodges in the British Isles to visit Canada in 1938 to participate in the celebration of the Two Hundredth Anniversary of the organization of the first Masonic Lodge on Canadian soil, desires to associate itself with such plans, and requests the Grand Master to extend to the Grand Lodges of England, Scotland and Ireland a most cordial invitation to any delegation from said Grand Lodges which may visit the Dominion of Canada in 1938, to visit this Province and this Grand Lodge.

Committee on Grand Master's Address and Jurisprudence

M.W. Bro. J. W. MacNeill presented the report of the Committee on Grand Master's Address and Jurisprudence, which, on motion of M.W. Bros. J. W. MacNeill and C. P. Moore, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

Your Committee on Grand Master's Address and Jurisprudence has given careful consideration to the same, and beg leave to submit the following report.

Our Grand Master has turned our attention to the great principles of the Craft, and we commend to the members a careful perusal and contemplation of his views concerning these principles.

In the matter of granting dispensation to Lodge Progress No. 92 and Shaunavon Lodge No. 110 your Committee are in agreement with the action of the Grand Master in refusing these dispensations.

In the matter of Outlook Lodge No. 65 your Committee is of the opinion that the Grand Master's decision was correct, from a constitutional standpoint.

Your Committee would urge a careful consideration of the suggestion made by the Grand Master in the matter of frequent visits to Constituent Lodges, by the Grand Secretary and Assistant Grand Secretary. We agree that the suggestion has merit and recommend that the matter be referred to the Board of General Purposes for further consideration and promulgation of a workable plan to be presented to Grand Lodge for approval at the next annual communication, and furthermore to stress the importance of the foregoing suggestion we submit that in these trying

times the Lodges require advice, encouragement, not criticism, and recommend that all our energies should be exerted in this direction. If we interpret our Grand Master's thoughts correctly he is of the opinion that we should extend the helping hand and endeavour to make lighter the load of care of fellow Masons.

In conclusion may we be permitted to say that the moderate tone, the choice of expressive language and the faultless composition, with the total absence of objectionable pedantry, reflects the well balanced and scholarly mind of the author. Exhibiting good judgment and a thorough understanding of human nature, he has discharged his duties in a manner which will no doubt satisfy the most exacting among our members. His address reveals the philosophy of Freemasonry clearly and forcibly. We feel assured that we reflect the sentiments of this Grand Body when we say, we are proud of our Grand Master, pleased with the dignified manner in which he has discharged his duties, and honoured by having one with such gifted talents and high conception of fraternal ethics adorn the office which is the greatest gift at our disposal.

Fraternally submitted,

J. W. MACNEILL, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Grievances and Appeals

R.W. Bro. O. S. Black presented the report of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals which, on motion of R.W. Bros. O. S. Black and F. C. Wilson, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

Your Committee on Grievances and Appeals have, for the second consecutive year, the pleasing duty to report that no complaints or appeals were received during the Masonic year which has just drawn to a close and your Committee was therefore not called upon to function.

Fraternally submitted,

O. S. BLACK, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Finance

R.W. Bro. S. C. Burton presented the following report of the Committee on Finance which, on motion of R.W. Bros. S. C. Burton and A. O. Brooks, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

We have received and carefully considered the report of the Auditor that he has found the reports of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary correct and in order, and we accordingly recommend same for your adoption.

We are pleased to say that for the first time in several years the revenue exceeded the expenditures. Our estimates provided for revenue of \$10,450.00; the actual figures were \$11,045.59, or \$595.59 greater than the estimate. The main items responsible for this were an increase of \$200.00 over estimates in initiation fees and \$344.00 in commuted Life

Memberships; but our estimate of revenue from the per capita tax fell short by over \$200.00, offering further evidence that our largest source of yearly revenue is seriously endangered by the large number of life memberships being granted.

Our expenditures were \$1,021.44 less than estimated; the principal items accounting for this being, Relief estimated at \$500.00, actually spent \$50.00; and a similar saving in Travelling Expenses of District Deputy Grand Masters and of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, who generously gave Grand Lodge the benefit of his railway transportation.

We present you with the estimates of revenue and expenditure for the current year. These figures in all cases are based upon the experience of last year and the trend so far this year, with the exception that as usual we have budgeted an amount of \$500.00 for relief, which sum has not nearly been expended for several years past, but in view of present conditions we think it well that this provision should be made again this year.

We are very glad that owing to last year's operations our cash position is in good shape.

ESTIMATED REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR 1937-38

Brought forward from 1936-37	\$ 4,043.78
Receipts:	

Membership Fees	\$ 7,200.00
Initiation Fees	1,000.00
Affiliation Fees	100.00
Commuted Life Membership Fees	1,000.00
Past Master's Certificates	125.00
Special Dispensations	125.00
Interest	800.00
Sale of Publications	400.00
Benevolent Fund.	100.00
	\$10,850.00

\$14,893.78

Cash in hands Assistant Grand Sec., Contingent Acct.	50.00
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\$14,943.78

Expenditures:

Salaries and Honoraria:

Grand Secretary	\$ 1,200.00
Assistant Grand Secretary	2,400.00
Grand Treasurer	200.00
Grand Tyler	25.00
Committee on Foreign Correspondence	200.00
Stenographer	780.00
Holiday Office Help	30.00
Stenographic assistance G.L. Communication	10.00
Office Rent	1,200.00
Safety Deposit Box.	10.00
P.O. Box Rent	8.00
Auditor	250.00
	\$ 6,313.00

Travelling:

D.D.G.M's.	\$ 1,000.00
Board of General Purposes.	500.00
Grand Master	300.00
General	400.00
	\$ 2,200.00

Miscellaneous:

Printing	\$ 600.00
Postage and Excise	500.00
Sundry Stationery and Supplies	400.00
Relief	500.00
General Expense	1,000.00
	\$ 3,000.00
	\$11,513.00

Fraternally submitted,

S. C. BURTON, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Condition of Masonry

M.W. Bro. N. R. Craig presented the report of the Committee on Condition of Masonry which, on motion of M.W. Bro. N. R. Craig and R.W. Bro. S. C. Burton, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

Your Committee on the Condition of Masonry in Saskatchewan beg leave to submit the following report.

The condition of Masonry in every jurisdiction presents two aspects; first and most important its spiritual and moral state; secondly:—its material manifestations. These two aspects are closely related and no matter how high the spiritual and moral aims, they are invariably affected by the material and physical properties of the order.

We propose therefore to place before you some facts and figures, tiresome as they may be, and then invite your reflection on such facts and figures. It is obviously impossible to make more than a very incomplete review of the full reports from each District. We can only present a few of the salient statements. In an effort to do this we submit the following concerning the 17 Districts of the Province.

District No. 1:

13 Lodges. D.D.G.M. R.W. Bro. Wilfred R. Orton. Each lodge visited once, one twice. 12 Lodges represented at District meeting. 49 officers absent on visit D.D.G.M. from 12 Lodges. No. 1 lodge, all officers present. No. 166 only four officers out of 14 present. Paid for local relief \$522.57. Contributions to Benevolent fund nil. Members in arrears twelve months or more, 286. Total arrears \$4,351.68. 23% reduction in arrears.

District No. 2:

14 lodges. D.D.G.M. R.W. Bro. Archie McArthur. Each lodge visited once, one twice. All lodges represented at District Meeting. 40 officers from 12 lodges absent on visit D.D.G.M. Two lodges Nos. 32 and 49, all officers present. No. 72 only four officers present. Paid for local relief \$207.65. Contributions to Benevolent fund, nil. Members in arrears twelve months or more, 722. Total arrears \$12,222.85.

District No. 3:

15 lodges. D.D.G.M., R.W. Bro. J. U. Thoroughgood. Each lodge visited once. All lodges represented at the District Meeting. 22 officers from 10 lodges absent on visit D.D.G.M. 5 lodges, Nos. 107, 193, 71, 136, 172, all officers present. Paid for local relief \$442.99. Contribu-

tions to Benevolent fund, nil. Members in arrears twelve months or more, 325. Total arrears \$6,706.00. 2 lodges Nos. 193 and 197, no arrears.

District No. 4:

9 lodges. D.D.G.M., R.W. Bro. A. W. Ingram. Each lodge visited once. All lodges represented at District Meeting. 28 officers from 9 lodges absent on visit D.D.G.M. Paid for local relief \$226.00. Contributions to Benevolent fund, \$50.00. Members in arrears twelve months or more, 226. Total arrears \$3,182.00.

District No. 5:

14 lodges. D.D.G.M., R.W. Bro. M. W. Coxworth. Each lodge visited once. All lodges represented at District Meeting. 39 officers absent on visit D.D.G.M. from 11 lodges. 3 lodges Nos. 16, 60, 92, all officers present. Paid for local relief \$1,402.30. Contributions to Benevolent fund, nil. Members in arrears twelve months or more, 400. Total arrears, \$6,894.30.

District No. 6:

11 lodges. D.D.G.M., R.W. Bro. J. C. Martin. Each lodge visited once, two twice. 10 lodges represented at the District Meeting. 46 officers absent on visit D.D.G.M. from 11 lodges. Paid for local relief \$87.10. Contributions to Benevolent fund, nil. Members in arrears twelve months or more, 277. Total arrears, \$4,837.63.

Special reports have been submitted by the D.D.G.M. on lodges Nos. 34 and 50, and the attention of the incoming D.D.G.M. is specially directed to these reports.

District No. 7:

11 lodges. D.D.G.M., R.W. Bro. A. J. Bater. Each lodge visited once, seven of the 11 visited twice. 44 officers absent on visit of D.D.G.M. Paid for local relief \$428.98. Contributions to Benevolent Fund, nil. Members in arrears twelve months or more, 164. Total arrears \$3,204.95.

District No. 8:

10 lodges. D.D.G.M., R.W. Bro. H. M. Connor. Each lodge visited once. 9 lodges represented at District Meeting. 48 officers absent on visit of D.D.G.M. Paid for local relief \$299.00. Contributions to Benevolent fund, nil. Members in arrears twelve months or more, 256. Total arrears \$4,415.25.

The lodges in this district are in sharp contrast. Seven of the lodges appear to be in a healthy condition spiritually, and two in good health spiritually and materially. The remaining three appear to be at a low ebb. One of the three had only one meeting in 12 months, and that was called by the D.D.G.M., 9 were present. The resident membership is 15, non-resident 9, total membership 24. Of this 24 there are 18 in arrears of dues for more than 12 months. Your committee believes that the sooner a reason other than the depression is found for this condition, the sooner the lodge will regain its strength. If you consider this comment unfair, we ask you to regard another lodge very close to the one under discussion and existing under identical economic conditions. It has 46 members. It held 13 meetings during the year. Only 7 members are in arrears of dues. The total arrears for 46 members are just one half of the arrears of the lodge of 24 members. What conclusion do you draw from this parallel?

We most earnestly commend to the D.D.G.M. elect, a thorough and intelligent perusal of the affairs of this District. The conditions present

to him an opportunity of real service to the Craft. We shall await with great anticipation his report for the ensuing year. In closing this comment may we say that it is rather amazing and a tribute to the Masonic spirit of the lodge that held but one meeting during the year that it was one of only two lodges in the district to furnish local relief. The members are there. Can they not be kindled to a new flame by the breath of a militant D.D.G.M.

District No. 9:

12 lodges. D.D.G.M., R.W. Bro. C. S. Hewitt. Each lodge visited once. All lodges represented at the District Meeting. 57 officers from 12 lodges absent on visit of D.D.G.M. Paid for local relief \$42.00. Members in arrears twelve months or more, 179. Total arrears \$3,970.68.

The average attendance at lodge meetings in this district is regrettably small. For example: Membership 91—av. att. 14; membership—45—av. att. 11. On the other hand one lodge with a total membership of 19 had an av. att. of 9.

Are these comparisons due to economic depression or to a depression of Masonic spirit from other causes? The D.D.G.M. by his reports shows that he has been fully aware of conditions in his district and has sought means of revivification.

District No. 10:

12 lodges. D.D.G.M., R.W. Bro. A. G. Buck. 11 lodges visited once before May 8th, 1937. 10 out of 12 lodges represented at District Meeting. 51 officers from 11 lodges absent at visit of D.D.G.M. Paid for local relief \$163.25. Contributions to Benevolent fund, nil. Members in arrears twelve months or more 241. Total arrears \$3,776.00.

It is worthy of note that one lodge in this district, No. 162 has only one member in arrears.

District No. 11:

11 lodges. D.D.G.M., R.W. Bro. A. E. Miscampbell. Each lodge visited once. All lodges represented at District Meeting. 25 officers from 11 lodges absent on visit D.D.G.M. Paid for local relief \$221.50. Contributions to Benevolent fund, nil. Members in arrears 12 months or more, 263. Total arrears \$5,402.50. Mount Hermon No. 124 has no arrears. Are they rich in worldly goods or only in spirit?

District No. 12:

9 lodges. D.D.G.M., R.W. Bro. R. E. Bishop. Each lodge visited once. No report of number of lodges represented at District Meeting. 29 officers from 8 lodges absent at visit of D.D.G.M. Paid for local relief \$90.00. Contributions to Benevolent fund, nil. Members in arrears twelve months or more 138. Total arrears \$2,342.50.

One lodge, Lacadena No. 196, has no arrears. Is this because it has had more rain?

District No. 13:

12 lodges. D.D.G.M., R.W. Bro. J. M. Scott. 10 lodges visited once. 1 lodge visited twice. 1 lodge, Loverna, No. 149, not visited as no meeting held since September 9, 1936.

The D.D.G.M. makes no suggestion or recommendation regarding this lodge.

Lodges were well represented at District Meeting. 27 officers from 9 lodges absent on visit of D.D.G.M. Biggar No. 100 and Paragon No. 118 had all officers present on the official visit of the D.D.G.M. Paid for local relief \$69.00. Members in arrears twelve months or more, 191. Total arrears \$3,765.50.

District No. 14:

13 lodges. D.D.G.M., R.W. Bro. W. G. Bock. Each lodge visited once, two twice. 12 lodges represented at District meeting, this district had the highest reported attendance at its district meeting, 116. 37 officers from 13 lodges absent on visit of D.D.G.M. One lodge, Woodrow No. 112 had all officers present. Paid for local relief \$176.84. Contributions to Benevolent fund, nil. Members in arrears twelve months or more, 279. Total arrears \$4,210.10.

This district deserves a special word of praise. No part of this Province has been so grievously hit. No part has so courageously withstood the blows. The Craft in this district is blessed by potent leadership; to say this however is not in detracton of able leadership in other districts.

District No. 15:

10 lodges. D.D.G.M., R.W. Bro. C. Stackhouse. Each lodge visited once, 6 lodges visited twice. 8 lodges were represented at the District Meeting. 28 officers from 10 lodges absent on visit of D.D.G.M. Foam Lake No. 79 and Viscount No. 151, each had all its officers present on visit. Quill Lake No. 169 needs attention and encouragement. Paid for local relief \$312.40. Contributions to Benevolent fund, nil. Members in arrears twelve months or more 81. Total arrears \$1,078.00.

District No. 16:

11 lodges. D.D.G.M., R.W. Bro. E. F. Richardson. Each lodge visited once, two twice. No report of the number of lodges represented at the District Meeting. 30 officers from 10 lodges absent on visit of D.D.G.M. Strasbourg No. 46 had all its officers present on this visit.

Paid for local relief \$227.00. Members in arrears twelve months or more, 173. Total arrears \$2,675.94.

District No. 17:

11 lodges. D.D.G.M., R.W. Bro. John Sinclair. Each lodge visited once, two twice. All lodges were represented at the District Meeting. 28 officers from 10 lodges absent on visit of D.D.G.M. Conquest No. 132 had all officers present on this visit. Paid for local relief \$120.00. Contributions to Benevolent fund, nil. Members in arrears twelve months or more 138. Total arrears \$1,919.15.

From the above we perceive that:

Members in arrears twelve months or more are 4,339.

Arrears for Province \$74,955.03.

On the basis of last year's membership report substantially more than one-third of our whole membership is in arrears of dues. Nor are the arrears highest where we would expect them to be.

We also note in the majority of lodges the large proportion of officers absent upon the visit of the D.D.G.M. It is safe to assume that official diligence is not higher on other occasions. We have not overlooked the lodges where every officer or nearly every officer was present. Eliminating these the average of the officer absentees is not less than one-third. No lodge can prosper if one-third of its officers are habitually absent. We wonder if every brother who accepts office realizes the sacred fraternal trust reposed in him.

In mitigation of these circumstances you may have noticed that some of the Districts which are having the hardest struggle have been most generous with local relief. Your committee, from the individual reports, has also noticed some lodges whose statistics show them at a low ebb but whose local charity shows them at the flood tide of Masonic virtue.

It has been thought desirable to examine and report to you on the matter of the Historical record, Masonic research and Masonic libraries in the various constituent lodges.

Historical register incomplete		No Masonic Library		Masonic Study neglected	
Lodge No.	District	Lodge No.	District	Lodge No.	District
166	1	41	2	166	1
171	1	164	2	32	2
154	2	42	3	11	2
40	2			176	2
156	3	95	5	186	2
71	3	116	6	156	3
4	4	198	6	24	4
14	4	50	6		
77	4	27	8	99	5
168	4	8	9	117	5
28	5	150	9	198	6
95	5	54	10	50	6
20	6	178	10	27	8
36	6	200	10	25	8
198	6	70	11	29	8
50	6	93	11	30	8
137	7	141	11	48	9
25	8	180	11	61	9
7	9	181	12	54	10
10	9	189	12	130	10
38	9	106	14	178	10
48	9	126	14	93	11
94	9	128	14	180	11
62	10	145	15	100	13
178	10	121	16	145	15
26	11			169	15
124	11			51	16
180	11			56	17
134	12			192	17
75	13				
83	13				
149	13				
122	14				
128	14				
138	14				
145	15				
155	16				
64	16				
113	17				
131	17				

You will note that districts 7, 12 and 14 have a perfect score on Masonic Study, 1, 4, 7, 13 and 17 as to libraries, but no district as to Historical register.

We have refrained from giving the individual names, but you will recognize your numbers. It is rather curious that some lodges which in 1935-1936 reported the historical register complete are in 1936-37 reported incomplete for periods long ante-dating 1935. Some one has blundered.

In last year's report there was justly adverse comment on Moosomin Lodge. We congratulate the brethren on the improvement shown in the past year, of almost double the number of meetings and an increase of 30% in attendance. I believe that if all the lodges realized the care and

anxiety or pleasure as the case may be with which their individual reports are scanned by this committee, that a genuine effort would be made to make them pleasanter reading every year.

The following recommendations were made by the following District Deputies:

R.W. Bro. McArthur, District No. 2: That the day following the annual communication of Grand Lodge be devoted, at Grand Lodge expense, to the instruction of D.D.G.M's. in the duties of their office.

R.W. Bro. C. S. Hewitt, District No. 9: That sons of members be allowed to join the lodge at a reduced fee thus keeping fathers and sons together.

R.W. Bro. A. E. Miscampbell, District No. 11: That a supervisor of Masonic education be appointed and that he in turn appoint a representative in each lodge to carry on from year to year. Ontario is cited as an example of this.

R.W. Bro. John Sinclair, District No. 17: That initiation fees be lowered.

Your committee refers these recommendations to the Board of General Purposes.

We wish we could adequately comment on the general reports of each District Deputy. In many cases special reports are made on individual lodges. We most earnestly ask the incoming D.D.G.M's. to carefully study these and to decide and do what is best to be done.

The work of the District Deputies for the past year sets a high standard. We thank them not only for their zeal and intelligence and their complete reports but also for the clerical care shown and the neatness and legibility of their reports.

Your committee notes that in many lodges the report on the Condition of Masonry is not read; that in some lodges the Annual report of Grand Lodge is not even kept in the lodge.

In what more useful way could an otherwise empty lodge meeting evening be spent than in reading aloud to the members some of the interesting items in the annual reports. M.W. Bro. Martin spends days, yes, weeks, in his Report on Foreign Correspondence. It forms delightful and most interesting reading. In how many of the lodges is it read? Are you curious about the Condition of Masonry in foreign jurisdictions. If so, have one of your members read to the others what Bro. Martin has written.

Do you use the articles published in the annual report by the committee on Masonic Education? The annual reports in themselves constitute a good library.

We recommend to the new D.D.G.M's. as their first duty a careful reading and analysis of the reports of their predecessors, otherwise their work cannot be intelligently done.

Perhaps the material side of Masonry is emphasized in this report. We believe this to be proper as this is to a great extent a business report. We do however wish to say that there is evidence in plenty in the reports on the individual lodges and in the general reports of the D.D.G.M's. that warm brotherly love continues to be characteristic of the Craft; that relief is not forgotten; that charity is, as of old, a Masonic attribute and Masonic truth still a fundamental principle. This all is exemplified by inter-lodge visits, reports of relief to the needy, the work of the research committee, the lectures by individual brethren and the educational work done in the constituent lodges.

Now, what are the conclusions of your committee on the conditions of Masonry in Saskatchewan.

1. We would be less than frank if we said it was satisfactory. In many lodges it is highly satisfactory.
2. In a few lodges it is very unsatisfactory.
3. That the general condition is unsatisfactory.
4. That in the majority of Masonic hearts the great lights of Masonry are bright.
5. That in the minority they are dim.
6. That Masonry in Saskatchewan needs to re-dedicate itself to its ideals, to emulate the endurance of our progenitors who in times of difficulty and danger did not shrink from the avowal and practice of their principles.
7. Finally, that in these days of tyrants and the shaking of the mailed fist, the days of brass mouths and iron lungs, we should with ever greater zeal endeavour to preserve our order which has ever been a watch tower of tolerance and liberty and to continue to cement and adorn it with every social and moral virtue.

We recommend that in recognition of their services the rank of P.D.D.G.M. be conferred upon the D.D.G.M's. named in this report.

Fraternally submitted,

N. R. CRAIG, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Masonic Relief and Charity

M.W. Bro. R. Young presented the report of the Committee on Masonic Relief and Charity which, on motion of M.W. Bros. R. Young and J. McGregor, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

Your Committee on Masonic Relief and Charity beg leave to report as follows.

During the year just closed no applications for direct relief have been entertained.

Fraternally submitted,

R. YOUNG, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Charters and New Lodges

R.W. Bro. Loy S. Sifton presented the report of the Committee on Charters and New Lodges which, on motion of R.W. Bros. Loy S. Sifton and A. O. Brooks, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

Your Committee on Charters and New Lodges beg to report that no applications for charters were received during the year just passed and accordingly your Committee was not called upon to function.

Fraternally submitted,

LOY S. SIFTON, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Grand Lodge Library

R.W. Bro. F. C. Wilson presented the report of the Committee on Grand Lodge Library which, on motion of R.W. Bro. F. C. Wilson and M.W. Bro. J. Orville Clarke, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

Your Committee on Library herewith submits its report for the year 1936-37.

This Committee last year intimated in its report that extra copies of proceedings of other Grand Jurisdictions could be obtained on application to the Grand Lodge Office. The Grand Secretary also requested the District Deputy Grand Masters, on their visits, to bring this fact to the attention of the Brethren. As a result 10 lodges have taken advantage of the suggestion and approximately 100 volumes of these proceedings have been sent out by the Grand Lodge office. Still more copies can be secured on request.

No new books have been added to the library during the past year, other than the usual proceedings from jurisdictions with which we are in fraternal communication.

Your Committee as usual has made periodical inspection of the Library and reports the same in its customary good condition.

Fraternally submitted,

F. C. WILSON, Chairman.

Report of Board of Trustees of the Benevolent Fund

M.W. Bro. N. B. Williams, presented the report of the Board of Trustees of the Benevolent Fund which, on motion of M.W. Bros. N. B. Williams and J. McGregor, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

Your Benevolent Fund Trustees submit for your consideration the following report:

Each application for assistance received during the year since our last report was presented to Grand Lodge has received prompt and careful consideration by your Trustees. We endeavour at all times to get complete information in detail regarding each case that is brought before us and, in the main, constituent lodges as well as individual Masons everywhere have co-operated whole-heartedly with the Board in this very important matter. Delays, which occasionally occur, are usually the result of failure on the part of lodges to supply the Board with complete information when applications are first submitted or through beneficiaries failing to give the Board frank and complete information when it is subsequently required. It sometimes happens that Lodges do not seem to realize that your Trustees are handling Trust Funds and are consequently bound by honour and duty to fulfill their obligation to the Masons of Saskatchewan at large and to the members of Grand Lodge to whom they must render an account of their stewardship.

For the benefit of those members of Grand Lodge who may not have had an opportunity to read or consider the material prepared by your President and forwarded to each constituent lodge in February last by the Committee on Masonic Education and Research, for use on "Bene-

volent Fund Night", we are going to ask that this material, which will be reproduced in the appendix to the Proceedings be read and considered as a part of this report. In the preparation of the paper so sent out, an effort was made to set out briefly but clearly the policies by which your Trustees are governed in their administration of the Fund.

In their report presented twelve months ago, your Trustees stated that by reason of the fact that grants from the Fund, according to regulations, were to be supplementary to the aid given by constituent lodges, and particularly in view of increasing demands in the face of proportionately smaller revenues, grants after September 30th, 1936, would be reduced by ten per cent in all cases where constituent lodges recommending the applications made no contribution from their own funds, and that such lodges would be expected to make up the amounts represented by such reductions. This decision was adhered to by your Trustees and we are glad to be able to report that practically all lodges met their responsibilities in a true Masonic spirit. In this connection, however, it must be borne in mind that it is becoming increasingly more difficult for some lodges to carry on at all because of the unfortunate circumstances in which so many of their members now find themselves.

During the year ending March 31st, 1936, your Trustees approved and paid grants in excess of revenues by way of interest on investments to the extent of some \$1,600.00 which had to be made up out of the Reserve Account. From the Auditor's Report it will be noted that during the year now under review revenues and expenditures just about "broke even" leaving a small surplus of \$90.78 to be transferred to Reserve Account. It is the considered opinion of your Trustees that the capital of the Fund should not only be materially increased but that the Reserve Account should be carefully guarded against the time when Grand Lodge will be faced with a marked reduction in the revenue by way of interest and, in all probability, increasingly greater demands upon the fund. The necessity for maintaining the perpetuity of the Fund—a trust assumed by your Trustees—must ever be borne in mind.

An examination of the Reports of the Grand Treasurer and Auditor for the years ending March 31, 1936, and 1937 respectively, will reveal the fact that the net amount paid out by way of assistance in the former year was somewhat in excess of that paid out during the latter year. Individual grants were approximately the same in number—111 in the year ending March 31st, 1937: 109 in the preceding year. It was only because of the 10% reduction made in certain grants from September 30th, 1936, that the expenditures did not again exceed the revenues, which would have created a deficit to be made up out of Reserve Account.

It will be noted that the total Fund, including Reserve now stands at \$328,315.99 as against \$320,988.61 twelve months ago—an increase of \$7,327.38.

During the past twelve months \$16,088.48 has been paid out from the Fund in relief as follows:

No. Lodge	Beneficiary	Amount
1 Kinistino	Mrs. M. E. B.	\$ 60.00
1 Kinistino	Mrs. M. S.	180.00
3 Moose Jaw	Bro. W. W. D.	22.50
3 Moose Jaw	Bro. R. L. F.	78.00
3 Moose Jaw	Mrs. J. M.	150.00
5 Indian Head.	Mrs. D. H. M.	180.00
5 Indian Head.	Mrs. E. B.	180.00
7 Moosomin	Mrs. M. B.	114.00
9 Maple Leaf.	Bro. W. E. G.	180.00
10 Evening Star	Mrs. B. M. C.	190.00

No.	Lodge	Beneficiary	Amount
10	Evening Star	Mrs. M. M.	180.00
12	Yorkton	Mrs. W. A.	120.00
12	Yorkton	Mrs. T. B.	75.00
13	Duck Lake	Mrs. E. S.	270.00
15	Amity	Mrs. E. N. F.	240.00
15	Amity	Mrs. S. D.	120.00
15	Amity	Bro. H. E. W.	180.00
16	Saskatchewan	Mrs. E. B.	240.00
16	Saskatchewan	Bro. S. V. K.	180.00
16	Saskatchewan	Bro. A. R.	300.00
16	Saskatchewan	Bro. J. E. H.	90.00
16	Saskatchewan	Bro. D. E. M.	60.00
17	Carlyle	Bro. R. J. K.	120.00
19	Battle.	Mrs. R. W.	182.48
19	Battle.	Mrs. J. R. T.	90.00
20	Weyburn	Bro. C. M.	15.00
20	Weyburn	Bro. A. N. M.	15.00
23	Britannia	Mrs. A. B.	114.00
25	Estevan	Mrs. E. M. F.	240.00
26	Swift Current.	Mrs. H. A. R.	114.00
26	Swift Current.	Mrs. H. E. C.	171.00
26	Swift Current.	Mrs. W. H. P.	228.00
27	Alameda	Mrs. O'B.	210.00
27	Alameda	Mrs. A. B. W.	37.50
33	Davidson	Bro. G. W. Z.	45.00
35	Prince Rupert	Mrs. E. S.	54.00
36	Bruce	Mrs. J. B.	228.00
36	Bruce	Mrs. A. L. M.	174.00
43	Ishpaming	Bro. E. F. B.	228.00
45	Aurora	Mrs. W. W. G.	255.00
46	Strasbourg.	Mrs. E. M.	135.00
50	Golden Fleece	Mrs. G. H.	50.00
51	Touchwood	Bro. G. P.	180.00
54	Buchanan	Mrs. G.	270.00
55	Craik	Mrs. C. W. P.	171.00
55	Craik	Mrs. T. A. B.	114.00
55	Craik	Mrs. W. C.	36.00
58	King Solomon	Mrs. R.	200.00
62	Melville	Bro. J. I.	114.00
64	Manitou	Mrs. A. M.	50.00
68	Govan	Mrs. G. B.	180.00
68	Govan	Mrs. M. R. H.	240.00
70	Cypress	Mrs. C. V. W.	150.00
71	Doric	Bro. J. M.	30.00
76	Tisdale	Mrs. C. C. C.	180.00
80	Connaught	Mrs. L. J. S.	300.00
80	Connaught	Mrs. S.	60.00
82	Victoria	Bro. G. W. P.	285.00
83	Meridian	Bro. J. E. C.	9.00
83	Meridian	Bro. A. J. S.	54.00
84	Lanigan	Mrs. B.	108.00
90	Kerrobert	Mrs. E. M.	25.00
92	Lodge Progress	Mrs. W. H. C.	240.00
92	Lodge Progress	Bro. J. F. M.	240.00
94	Maryfield	Mrs. J. R.	40.00
95	Evergreen	Mrs. J. H.	240.00
95	Evergreen	Bro. W. Y.	300.00
98	Union	Bro. C.	365.00

No. Lodge	Beneficiary	Amount
99 Goose Lake	Bro. H. J. E.	228 00
103 Composite	Mrs. T. C.	48 00
104 King Hiram	Mrs. F.	180.00
104 King Hiram	Mrs. W. H.	180 00
104 King Hiram	Mrs. G. H.	60.00
107 Mortlach	Mrs. C. S. F.	180.00
108 Long Lake	Bro. A. P.	110 00
113 Broderick	Mrs. W. J. S.	100 00
120 Ogema	Mrs. T. C.	171.00
123 Lancer	Mrs. P.	30 00
123 Lancer	Mrs. D. C. M.	195.00
124 Mount Hermon	Mrs. A. J.	171.00
125 Latomia	Bro. A. B.	67.50
129 Mossbank	Bro. A. J. D.	180 00
130 Togo	Bro. A. B. M.	210.00
133 Philathea	Bro. J. R.	60 00
133 Philathea	Bro. F. C.	60.00
136 St. George	Mrs. J. C. D.	144.00
138 Kincaid	Mrs. C.	120.00
139 Riverhurst	Mrs. C.	180 00
142 Leader	Mrs. B. C. R.	60.00
145 Elfros	Mrs. G. H.	228 00
145 Elfros	Mrs. M. F. S.	240.00
146 Asquith	Bro. M. E. L.	180 00
147 Elstow	Mrs. A. C.	240.00
147 Elstow	Mrs. P. C.	180 00
147 Elstow	Bro. J. C. C.	75.00
151 Viscount	Mrs. B.	171.00
153 Blaine Lake	Mrs. G. R. P.	300.00
155 Raymore	Bro. P.	115 00
156 Avonlea	Bro. T. H. C.	60.00
161 Welwyn	Mrs. L.	87 00
172 Memorial	Mrs. M. B.	264.00
172 Memorial	Bro. C. F. K.	40.00
174 St. Andrews	Mrs. V. G.	90.00
177 Verwood	Mrs. W. S.	142.50
177 Verwood	Mrs. W. A.	60 00
182 Lonach	Mrs. T.	144.00
185 Loyalty	Mrs. M. J. R.	21.00
186 Emulation	Miss J. W.	20.00
189 Herschel	Mrs. C.	60.00
195 Pleasantdale	Bro. J. R. McE.	180.00
199 Admiral	Bro. A. C. K.	180.00

From this it will appear that assistance was granted in one hundred and eleven cases this year, of which twenty-six were new cases, as compared with one hundred and nine last year.

In addition to a number of meetings of the Executive, three full meetings of the Board were held during the year, on June 16th, 1936, November 17th, 1936 and May 26th, 1937, also a meeting on June 15th, 1937.

At the November meeting the securities held by the Board were carefully checked over by every member of the Board and the Trustees expressed themselves as entirely satisfied with the condition of same.

At the May meeting the reports from the various lodges receiving grants were reviewed and the following grants passed for the year 1937-38:

No. Lodge	Beneficiary	Amount
1 Kinistino	Mrs. S.	\$180.00
3 Moose Jaw	Bro. R. L. F.	78.00
3 Moose Jaw	Mrs. J. M.	120.00
5 Indian Head.	Mrs. D. H. M.	180.00
5 Indian Head.	Mrs. E. B.	240.00
7 Moosomin	Mrs. M. B.	108.00
9 Maple Leaf.	Bro. W. E. G.	180.00
10 Evening Star	Mrs. B. M. C.	150.00
10 Evening Star	Mrs. M. M.	180.00
12 Yorkton	Mrs. T. F. A.	90.00
12 Yorkton	Mrs. T. B.	180.00
13 Duck Lake	Mrs. E. S.	180.00
15 Amity	Mrs. E. N. F.	240.00
15 Amity	Mrs. S. D.	120.00
16 Saskatchewan	Mrs. B.	180.00
16 Saskatchewan	Bro. S. V. K.	180.00
16 Saskatchewan	Bro. J. E. H.	180.00
16 Saskatchewan	Bro. D. E. M.	120.00
16 Saskatchewan	Bro. A. R.	300.00
17 Carlyle	Bro. R. J. K.	210.00
19 Battle.	Mrs. R. W.	180.00
19 Battle.	Mrs. J. R. T.	90.00
20 Weyburn	Bro. A. N. M.	180.00
20 Weyburn	Bro. C. M.	180.00
23 Britannia..	Mrs. A. B.	108.00
25 Estevan	Mrs. E. M. F.	240.00
26 Swift Current.	Mrs. H. E. C.	162.00
26 Swift Current.	Mrs. W. H. P.	216.00
27 Alameda	Mrs. O'B	210.00
43 Ishpaming	Bro. E. F. B.	216.00
45 Aurora	Mrs. W. W. G.	240.00
50 Golden Fleece	Mrs. G. H.	120.00
51 Touchwood	Bro. G. C. P.	180.00
54 Buchanan	Mrs. G.	180.00
55 Craik	Mrs. C. W. P.	162.00
55 Craik	Mrs. T. A. B.	108.00
55 Craik	Mrs. W. C.	108.00
58 King Solomon	Mrs. J. R.	200.00
62 Melville	Bro. J. I.	108.00
64 Manitou	Mrs. A. M.	120.00
68 Govan	Mrs. K. A. H.	162.00
68 Govan	Mrs. G. B.	135.00
70 Cypress	Mrs. C. V. W.	150.00
71 Doric	Bro. J. M.	120.00
76 Tisdale	Mrs. C. C. C.	180.00
76 Tisdale	Bro. W. H. P.	144.00
80 Connaught	Mrs. L. J. S.	300.00
83 Meridian	Bro. A. J. S.	54.00
84 Lanigan	Mrs. A. B.	72.00
92 Lodge Progress	Mrs. L. C.	240.00
92 Lodge Progress	Bro. J. F. M.	240.00
94 Maryfield	Mrs. J. R.	120.00
95 Evergreen	Mrs. J. H.	240.00
95 Evergreen	Bro. W. Y.	300.00
98 Union	Bro. G. C.	365.00
99 Goose Lake	Bro. H. J. E.	216.00
103 Composite	Mrs. F. C.	156.00

No. Lodge	Beneficiary	Amount
104 King Hiram	Mrs. F.	180.00
104 King Hiram	Mrs. W. H.	180.00
104 King Hiram	Mrs. G. H.	60.00
107 Mortlach	Mrs. M. M. F.	157.50
120 Ogema	Mrs. C.	162.00
123 Lancer	Mrs. A. M.	198.00
124 Mount Hermon	Mrs. A. J.	162.00
125 Latomia	Bro. A. B.	90.00
129 Mossbank	Bro. A. J. D.	180.00
130 Togo	Bro. A. B. M.	180.00
133 Philathea	Bro. J. R.	60.00
133 Philathea	Bro. F. C.	60.00
136 St. George	Mrs. J. C. D.	144.00
138 Kincaid	Mrs. M. C.	120.00
139 Riverhurst	Mrs. C.	150.00
145 Elfros	Mrs. G. H.	216.00
145 Elfros	Mrs. M. S.	216.00
147 Elstow	Mrs. A. C.	180.00
147 Elstow	Mrs. P. C.	162.00
147 Elstow	Bro. J. C. C.	15.00
151 Viscount	Mrs. B.	108.00
153 Blaine Lake	Mrs. O. P.	300.00
172 Memorial	Mrs. M. B.	264.00
172 Memorial	Bro. C. F. K.	96.00
174 St. Andrews	Mrs. V. G.	60.00
177 Verwood	Mrs. W. S.	120.00
182 Lonach	Mrs. L. T.	144.00
185 Loyalty	Mrs. M. J. R.	84.00
195 Pleasantdale	Bro. J. R. M.	171.00
199 Admiral	Bro. A. C. K.	180.00

At the meeting held on June 15th, 1937, the following additional new grant was approved:

No. Lodge	Beneficiary	Amount
107 Mortlach	Mrs. G.	\$150.00

Abernethy Lodge No. 77, has the distinction of being the only Lodge in the Grand Jurisdiction that made a voluntary contribution to the Fund during the past year, the amount being \$50.00. As this happens to be your President's own lodge, he hastens to assure members of Grand Lodge that this contribution was not made as the result of any appeal made to the lodge by him, but can be regarded as evidence of the continued active interest of this lodge in the welfare of their less fortunate brethren, their widows and dependents.

A most gratifying report has reached your Trustees regarding a member of the family of a widow who has been receiving a small grant from the fund. By carefully conserving her own meagre resources and with the assistance of the small monthly grant received, this woman succeeded in keeping her young son, who was a brilliant student, in university with the result that he has now graduated with his M.D. degree, standing fifth in the graduating class for the year, and second amongst Saskatchewan Students attending that University. Surely we can all feel that in this one case alone we have done something worth while—making it possible for an enterprising young man to take advantage of an opportunity to become self-supporting which might otherwise have been forever denied him.

We cannot close this report without formally joining with all other members of Grand Lodge in expressing our profound regret at the passing of a well beloved and most capable member of the Board in the person of the late R.W. Bro. J. C. Moore, whose sympathetic, kindly and whole-hearted co-operation we shall sorely miss, and also to M.W. Bro. James McCauley our sincerest sympathy in the irreparable loss sustained by him since our last Grand Lodge Communication. M.W. Bro. McCauley is the veteran member of the Board to whom the Masons of Saskatchewan will ever owe a debt of gratitude for his foresight in establishing upon a permanent basis the fund administered by your Trustees and for the faithful service rendered by him as a member of the Board and President thereof for so many years. May we long have the benefit of his active interest and wise counsel.

Fraternally submitted,

N. B. WILLIAMS, President.

Report of Committee on Printing and Supplies

W. Bro. Douglas Fraser presented the report of the Committee on Printing and Supplies which, on motion of W. Bro. Douglas Fraser and V.W. Bro. E. C. Bird, was received and adopted as follows:
To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.
Brethren:

As a committee we wish first to join in mourning the passing of R.W. Bro. J. C. Moore, for long a valued member and sometime Chairman of this committee, and to add our meed of praise for his faithful service and great contribution to Masonry in this Grand Jurisdiction.

During the past year your committee have checked and authorized the purchase of all incidental supplies requisite for the proper functioning of the Grand Secretary's office and in matters of major importance have obtained tenders and after due consideration have awarded contracts—in every case, to the lowest bidder.

In every instance very favourable prices have been obtained with the gratifying result that substantial savings have been made this year—particularly in the contract for printing the proceedings.

To maintain the present standard of service through the office and a like set up for the publication of Grand Lodge Proceedings, both of which appeal to your committee as highly desirable, the budget requirements are now practically at a minimum.

Fraternally submitted,

DOUGLAS FRASER, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Masonic Education

W. Bro. Douglas Fraser presented the report of the Committee on Masonic Education which on motion of W. Bro. Douglas Fraser and R.W. Bro. H. M. Underhill, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A. F. & A. M.
Brethren:

Once again it is my privilege to present the report of your Committee on Masonic Education.

The programme of study for the current year, following on our three year course on the degrees, was purposely drafted to make a general appeal. Through it all ran the thread of practical Masonry in relation to present conditions. To this study the Grand Master, the Grand Junior Warden and three Past Grand Masters contributed papers. The standard of all the outlines reached a high plane. The thanks of the Committee and of the lodges is due these well skilled brethren for their contributions.

We are greatly encouraged in our work by the many kindly references thereto in the Proceedings of other Grand Jurisdictions and more especially by the numerous enquiries, criticisms and suggestions offered by individual Masons within our own boundaries. We believe an intelligent interest, and even enthusiasm, is developing progressively for this activity of the Grand Lodge. For this very gratifying result we owe much to the District Deputy Grand Masters, who, in response to our request, have stressed this work among the lodges under their supervision, but more than all else to the unflagging zeal and persevering toil of the Grand Secretary to whose heart this work is very dear. The Assistant Grand Secretary has seen to it that the mechanical end of the work has been efficiently administered and has also contributed in no small measure to the revision and editing of the material.

The syllabus and the outlines issued during the year are attached hereto.

And now may I define the creed of those charged with this work of Masonic Education:

We believe that education is the "cultivation of faith in the value of tested truth as a guide for action". The theory is the spiritual "faith"—the practical is its application—"action". Contrast the injunction "Listen, obey, fight" or the cry "Race, Blood, Soil" echoing from lands where Masonry is now proscribed with the magic words "Brotherly love, Relief, Truth". On the one hand is the exaltation of Ignorance, Tyranny and Fanaticism which are being today imposed by despots on races in bondage: On the other is the insistence on sound ethics, economics and philosophy as presently enjoyed by democratic peoples constitutionally governed. In the face of the paralyzing influence of dictatorships the real hope of the future of our civilization lies in the development in the right way, of the spiritual forces, in those who seek to be enlightened, and who as they become enlightened will direct those spiritual forces toward the daily practice of all that is just, right and true. "Justice in action and execution, Right in adjudication, Truth in legislation". In the final analysis it is Spiritual force that endures. e.g. "The British Empire is founded on a myth and held together by an emotion." In this day and generation there must be born again the ceaseless urge to know the truth and there must be courage to apply it to all the relationships of life.

We believe that Masons have that urge; that they have faith that through Service and Justice will come Freedom and Happiness and that they have courage to serve and to be just. But do they know how effectively to serve or justly to judge? We must not fail to realize that it is not sufficient to be manly enough to follow the Truth—one must also be capable of recognizing it. Today there is in circulation much spurious coin though stamped with the die of Truth. There is much confusion of thought. There is great need for clear thinking and sound logic, for

"due trial, strict examination and sure information". Masons need guidance to a clear conception of what is Masonic truth; proof that it is truth and conviction that when faithfully applied it will inevitably work the salvation of a despairing world.

We believe the charge in the 2nd degree wherein it says "as you increase in knowledge you will improve in social intercourse", and that it is therefore our prime concern to supply, in some measure, enlightenment as to the fundamentals of the Masonic philosophy to the end that Masons may know what they believe and whereon their faith is founded and may, with courage, translate that knowledge into good deeds and noble living.

A great Canadian statesman, nearing the end of a long life of unselfish service, addressing a group of young people, summed up his philosophy in these fine words and left them as a heritage for our people:

"As for you who stand today on the threshold of life, with a long horizon open before you for a long career of usefulness to your native land, if you will permit me, after a long life, I shall remind you that already many problems rise before you: problems of race division, problems of creed differences, problems of economic conflict, problems of national duty and national aspirations. Let me tell you that for a solution of these problems you have a sure guide, an unfailing light, if you remember, that faith is better than doubt and love is better than hate. Let your souls be ever open to the promptings of faith and the gentle influence of brotherly love. Let your aim and purpose, in good report or ill, in victory or defeat, be so to live, so to strive, so to serve as to do your part to raise ever higher the standards of life and of living."

We believe that these immortal words are equally true for young or old, for Mason or profane—for now and for all time to come.

And with the poet we say:

"Let knowledge grow from more to more,
But more of goodness in us dwell,
That mind and heart according well
May make one music as before."

We believe that in that great symphony, again shortly to resound around the world, the Masonic Harmony shall have its place and part.

Fraternally submitted,

DOUGLAS FRASER, Chairman

Votes of Appreciation

On motion of R.W. Bro. G. W. S. Eisnor and Bro. D. P. Morris, it was resolved that this Grand Lodge most heartily commend the Board of Trustees of the Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund for their splendid work in the administering of the Fund.

On motion of W. Bro. H. MacKay and R.W. Bro. Leslie Keene it was resolved that the best thanks of this Grand Lodge be tendered to Worshipful Bro. Douglas Fraser and his Committee on Masonic Education for the splendid leadership given by the Committee throughout the year and for the inspiring report submitted at this Annual Communication.

Address

The M.W. the Grand Master called on V.W. Bro. T. H. Sendall, Grand Chaplain, to deliver an address. Bro. Sendall taking as his subject "The Challenge of Present Conditions" delivered an inspiring and thought provoking message. The Grand Master personally and on behalf of Grand Lodge tendered sincere appreciation to the speaker.

Grand Lodge was called from labour at 5.30 p.m. until 8.30 p.m.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION

Grand Lodge resumed labour at 8.30 p.m., M.W. Bro. J. W. Estey, Grand Master, on the Throne; Grand Officers, Members and Representatives present.

Report of Committee on Necrology

M.W. Bro. F. B. Reilly presented the report of the Committee on Necrology which, on motion of M.W. Bro. F. B. Reilly and R.W. Bro. H. M. Underhill, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.
Brethren:

As we greet one another in this Annual Communication, let us pause a moment to recall those who will be with us no more, whose work here was done, and whose example has been left for our encouragement.

Science with all its accomplishments has given us no view of what is beyond this period of life. Our certain knowledge of this is no greater than that of primitive man, but our knowledge is often of less value than our faith. All peoples who endured did so by their faiths and not by their scientific attainments. Many beliefs have come down to us from time immemorial and become part of us. Among these not the least is that of immortality. In our hearts we know that our departed brethren have merely entered into another phase of life.

"And still their silent ministries

Within our hearts have place

As when on earth they walked with us

And met us face to face."

Grand Lodge suffered a great loss in the passing of R.W. Bro. J. C. Moore our Grand Treasurer who laid down the keys of office on February 19th of this year. For many years hardly a day passed but he called at the chairman's office, to cheer, to advise and to commune. His service to Masonry was not confined to the Craft Degrees. The Royal Arch was indebted to him for long faithful service. He was Grand Treasurer of the Grand Chapter of Saskatchewan R.A.M. from its inception in 1923 to the time of his passing on, and few degrees were conferred in Wascana Chapter without his assistance. In the Knights Templar he was also of great service, being Presiding Preceptor of Wascana Preceptory in 1924. A familiar figure in the Scottish Rite where his work was prized. He was the Most Wise Sovereign of the Regina Chapter of Rose Croix for 1935-36.

The Grand Secretary's office sent out a very fitting Memorial, prepared by the M.W. the Grand Master, and we would ask that it be printed in full in the proceedings.

W. Bro. James Albert Sutherland, Grand Tyler 1918, 1919 and 1920. A member of Wapananung Lodge No. 46 of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, located at Broadview, and which lodge afterwards surrendered its Charter. He was later a Charter member of Evening Star Lodge No. 57 Grand Lodge of Manitoba, located at Grenfell, now No. 10 on the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan. A sterling Scotch character. We well recall his brilliant wit at a St. Andrews Banquet in Broadview in 1893. He passed on September 3rd, 1936.

V.W. Bro. Joseph Moncrieff Clarke was initiated in Yorkton Lodge No. 12 March 14th, 1907. He was Worshipful Master of his lodge in 1923. He was Grand Pursuivant 1924-25. He was also interested in the Royal Arch, being First Principal of King George Chapter in 1921, and Grand Steward in 1925. W. Bro. Clarke was a zealous Masonic student and gave great assistance to that phase of Masonry in his District. He passed on December 22nd, 1936.

R.W. Bro. Joseph Gronow had the distinction of being the first member to be initiated in Britannia Lodge No. 23. This was on January 26th, 1906. He was Worshipful Master in 1914 and 1916. The Brethren of District No. 7 recognizing his ability elected him District Deputy Grand Master for the term 1920-21. He passed on January 3rd, 1937.

V.W. Bro. George Joseph Crawley was initiated in Prince Rupert Lodge No. 35 on June 29th, 1917. He was Worshipful Master in 1923 and earned the rank of Grand Senior Deacon in 1924-25. He passed on August 29th, 1936.

R.W. Bro. Fred Bryan, coming from Tecumseh Lodge No. 144, of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario, affiliated with King Solomon Lodge No. 58, Kamsack in 1913. He was Worshipful Master for 1916 and was honoured by the Lodges of District No. 15 who selected him as District Deputy Grand Master for 1919-20. He passed on May 12th, 1936.

R.W. Bro. William James Scott coming from Clinton Lodge No. 84, Ontario, was a Charter Member of Rocanville Lodge No. 61, which lodge was formed September 30th, 1909. He was Worshipful Master of this lodge for the years 1913, 1920 and 1937. He was chosen District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 4, 1914-15. Bro. Scott divided his love between the Church, the Lodge and service for the Community. His passing is a great loss to all three. He passed on April 20th, 1937.

R.W. Bro. Edward Kingsbury affiliated from Clifford Lodge No. 315, Ontario to Briercrest Lodge No. 88 in 1912. He was Worshipful Master in 1915 and secretary from 1918 to the date of his passing. He was chosen District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 3, 1925-26. R.W. Bro. Kingsbury was widely and favourably known, not only in Masonic circles but in the entire community. His passing was a distinct loss to the community and a host of friends mourn his absence. He passed on April 8th, 1937.

V.W. Bro. William Frederick Blodgett was initiated in Limerick Lodge No. 109 on April 30th, 1918. He was Worshipful Master in 1924, Grand Junior Deacon 1933-34. He passed on February 2nd, 1937.

V.W. Bro. Albert Josiah Humphries was initiated in Touchwood Lodge No. 51, Punnichy in 1910. Was Worshipful Master in 1914: He became a Charter Member of Raymore Lodge No. 155 when it was formed Feb. 25th, 1920. He was Worshipful Master of Raymore Lodge in 1921. He was appointed Grand Steward 1922-1923. He passed on April 20th, 1936.

R.W. Bro. Robert Mahaffie Lindsay came from Prince Arthur Lodge No. 334, Ontario to become a Charter member of Elrose Lodge No. 135 when that lodge was formed on June 9th, 1917 and was Worshipful Master in 1918 and 1923. Withdrawing to become a Charter member of Tuberoso Lodge No. 181 when this lodge was formed October 7th, 1925, becoming Worshipful Master in 1926. He was chosen District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 12 for 1919-20. He was made an honorary member of Elrose and Eston Lodges in 1931 and of Lacadena Lodge No. 196 in 1933, an evidence of the untiring work he did for Masonry and the favour he earned from his brethren. He passed on March 28th, 1936.

V.W. Bro. Samuel Charles Lancaster was initiated in Melfort Lodge No. 18, Jan. 6th, 1914, and was Worshipful Master in 1921. He was appointed Grand Steward for 1921-22. He passed on March, 1937.

"In life leaders, in death the same
Beloved by all, they leave a memory dear,
Of joy and sunshine, and an honoured name,
To us who linger here."

Many members of the Constituent Lodges have during the year laid down the working tools. These carried out their allotted tasks and have earned their reward. Of them it has been truly said:

"Tis hard to take the burden up,
When these have laid it down.
They brightened all the joys of life,
They softened every frown,
But Oh; tis good to think of them
When we are troubled sore;
Thanks be to God, that such have been,
Although they're here no more."

To our Most Worshipful Bro. James McCauley our deepest sympathy goes out for his loss in the passing of his partner in February of this year. A lovely lady.

"A life like hers, so sweet and true,
Leaves a fragrance so rich and rare,
That dies not with the passing years,
But daily grows more fair."

R.W. Bro. J. Obed Smith, the Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan near the United Grand Lodge of England passed on in Yokohama, Japan, while on a world cruise taken in the interest of his health. He was 73 years old. He was one of the ties between Masonry in Canada and in England. He represented several of the Canadian Grand Lodges and took a great interest in this phase of Masonic Work. The Craft has lost a faithful servant. He was made an honorary Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan in 1928.

To the members of our sister Grand Jurisdictions we extend our sympathies for the losses they have had.

Many of you will recall M.W. Bro. Geo. Warren Craven, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Montana 1934-35, who was with us at our last Annual Communication, and who was then made an honorary member of our Grand Lodge. His keen humor mingled with common sense captivated our hearts, and his address was one of the outstanding ones of that Communication. Shortly after returning home to Butte, Montana, he passed on.

We recommend that Memorial pages in commemoration of these brethren of other Jurisdictions as well as for the members of our own lodges be inserted in our proceedings.

We do not wish to close this report without referring to an occur-

rence at the Pacific Coast. In Royal Oak Cemetery at Saanich, near Victoria, Vancouver Island, rest the remains of well known brethren:

R.W. Bro. F. S. Proctor, Fort Qu'Appelle.

M.W. Bro. H. Jagger, Moose Jaw.

R.W. Bro. Dr. Jno. M. Shaw, Regina.

W. Bro. W. T. Mollard, Regina.

On June 2nd this year W. Bro. W. Niblock and Bro. R. J. Ward of Wascana No. 2, Bro. H. Foster of N.W.M.P. No. 11, R.W. Bro. Purnell of Radville No. 175, Bro. J. Watson, Confederation No. 116 of Victoria, B.C. and R.W. Bro. W. R. Ridington of Battle Lodge No. 19 held a Memorial Service at the grave side of the above. A year ago on June 11th a similar service was held, some of the same brethren being in attendance.

We thank the brethren who represented us at this service.

To the relatives and friends of the brethren who have passed, we extend our sympathy. You will miss these dear ones but:

"Say not their work is done,
No deed of love or goodness ever dies,
But in the life of others multiplies;
Say it is just begun."

Fraternally submitted,

FRANCIS B. REILLY, Chairman.

Motions—Consideration Of

The hour having arrived for the consideration of Notices of Motion, it was moved by W. Bros. A. S. Pipes (3) and J. C. McDonald (71):

"That the following be added to Section 179, page 66, 1928 edition— 'In cities or towns where more than one lodge exists the initiation fee shall be the same in each lodge. The amount of the fee shall be arrived at by a majority vote of the lodges concerned. In the event of a tie vote the matter shall be referred to the Most Worshipful the Grand Master for decision.'" On the motion being put it was declared carried.

It was moved by M.W. Bro. J. Orville Clarke (68) and R.W. Bro. S. C. Burton (186):

"That Section 173, page 64, 1928 edition be amended by striking out all that portion of the said section after the word 'provided' and substituting therefor the following: 'that in respect to each life member the lodge file with the Grand Secretary a duly completed application in the form prescribed by the Board of General Purposes accompanied by satisfactory evidence of his age and by the fee therefor as set out in the following schedule:

Attained age of member at date application filed.	Fee (Not including charge for Certificate)
21 to 24 yrs. (both inclusive)	\$20.00
25 to 29 yrs. (both inclusive)	19.00
30 to 34 yrs. (both inclusive)	18.00
35 to 39 yrs. (both inclusive)	17.00
40 to 44 yrs. (both inclusive)	16.00
45 to 49 yrs. (both inclusive)	15.00
50 to 54 yrs. (both inclusive)	14.00
55 to 59 yrs. (both inclusive)	12.00
60 and older ..	10.00

N.B.—This schedule represents a commutation only of annual dues to Grand Lodge.

Conformity with this Section shall exempt the lodge from the payment of further dues to Grand Lodge on behalf of life members.

A Certificate of Life Membership shall be issued by the Grand Secretary in respect to each application for life membership accepted under this Section upon payment of the fee for such Certificate required under Section 98, page 34'." On the motion being put it was declared carried.

It was moved by M.W. Bro. N. B. Williams (77) and M.W. Bro. J. McGregor (60):

"That the last paragraph of Section 98, page 34, 1928 edition be amended by adding thereto the following: 'provided that Life Membership fees also shall be divided on the same basis'." On the motion being put it was declared carried.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. C. S. Hewitt (94) and R. W. Bro. M. W. Coxworth (33):

"That section 179, page 66, 1928 edition, be amended by deleting the word 'fifty' and substituting therefor the word 'thirty-five'." On the motion being put it was declared carried.

The following notice of motion filed by V.W. Bro. A. Ashdown (45) failed to obtain a mover and seconder and was declared by the M.W. the Grand Master as lost.

"That the following be added to Section 172, page 64, 1928 edition—'any member who has been a member of the Craft for fifty-five years or over and who is in good standing shall be an Honourary Member'."

Greetings

V.W. Bro. W. L. Clink expressed the greetings and best wishes of R.W. Bro. W. R. Ridington now resident in Victoria, B.C.

Grand Lodge was called from labour at 10.45 p.m., until 9.30 a.m., Thursday, June 17th.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION

Grand Lodge resumed labour at 9.30 a.m., on Thursday, June 17th, M. W. Bro. J. W. Estey, Grand Master, on the Throne; Grand Officers, Members and Representatives present.

Notices of Motion

M.W. Bro. F. B. Reilly gave notice that at the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge he would move:

"That Section 28, page 15, Constitution (1928 edition) be amended by adding 'when such proposed amendments come before Grand Lodge for consideration it shall be the right of Grand Lodge to further amend the Sections, of which notice has been properly given, provided that such further amendments are germane to the notices sent out to the Constituent Lodges as aforesaid'."

M.W. Bro. F. B. Reilly gave notice that at the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge he would move:

"That Rule 9 respecting Benevolent Fund, page 94, Constitution (1928 edition) be amended to provide that all expenses of the administration of the Benevolent Fund be paid from the General Funds of Grand Lodge."

M.W. Bro. F. B. Reilly gave notice that at the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge he would move:

"That Rule 66, page 92, Constitution (1928 edition) be amended by adding the following: 'In the event of such member being carried by the lodge and no action having been taken and the member remaining in arrears at the end of the second twelve months he shall stand automatically suspended'."

W. Bro. J. W. Rosborough gave notice that at the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge he would move:

"That Section 173, page 64, Constitution (1928 edition) be deleted."

Special Committee—Life Membership

On motion of W. Bro. F. J. Stevens (63) and V.W. Bro. W. L. Clink (19) it was resolved that the M.W. the Grand Master appoint a special Committee to investigate the practice of granting Commuted Life Memberships and the benefit or danger to the Craft of continuing this practice in this Grand Jurisdiction. This special committee to report to the 32nd Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.

Printing Amendments 1928 Constitution

On motion of W. Bros. J. R. Young (144) and H. D. Pickett (172) it was resolved that all amendments to the 1928 Constitution to date be printed in pamphlet form and made available to all lodges for insertion in the Constitutions of their members on application being made to the Grand Lodge office.

Nominations—Board of General Purposes

The Grand Secretary announced that the following Brethren had been nominated for the Board of General Purposes: A. M. Bell (74), O. S. Black (125), S. J. A. Branion (63), J. C. Carter (65), W. L. Clink (19), C. W. Crichton (3), G. W. S. Eisnor (112), F. G. Garvin (59), A. Greaves (144), W. McCauley (3), G. W. Pomeroy (138), A. C. Scott (5), A. Turnbull (92), J. D. Watson (11).

Nominations—Board of Benevolence

The Grand Secretary announced that the following Brethren had been nominated for the Board of Benevolence: W. M. Martin (2), A. Turnbull (92), N. B. Williams (77).

Address

M.W. Bro. C. C. Hartman, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, was then called on and delivered an outstanding address dealing with the necessity of the daily practice and application of the principles of Masonry by the individual member. Bro. Hartman's address was an inspirational contribution that was greatly appreciated by the Brethren in attendance. At the conclusion of the address the M.W. the Grand Master tendered the thanks and appreciation of Grand Lodge to the speaker.

Next Place of Meeting

An invitation was read from Kinistino Lodge No. 1 and Prince Albert Lodge No. 63 to hold the 32nd Annual Communication of Grand Lodge in the City of Prince Albert. On motion of W. Bros. S. J. A. Branion and F. J. Stevens, it was resolved that Grand Lodge accept the invitation.

Report of Credential Committee

R.W. Bro. F. C. Wilson presented the report of the Credential Committee which, on motion of R.W. Bros. F. C. Wilson and A. O. Brooks, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.
Brethren:

Your Credential Committee beg to report as follows:

It has been a great pleasure to record the representatives at this 31st Annual Communication of Grand Lodge in the "Friendly City" of Moose Jaw. Each and every brother has endeavoured to make our task as light and as pleasant as possible and the cheery smiles and hearty hand-clasps have more than repaid us for our strenuous labours. We have during the hours of registration many times been reminded of these lines:

"When a man ain't got a coat, and he's feelin' kind of blue,
And the clouds hang dark and heavy, an' won't let the sunshine
through,

It's a great thing, O my Brethren, for a feller just to lay
His hand upon your shoulder in a friendly sort of way.

"Oh, the world's a curious compound with its honey and its gall,
With its cares and bitter crosses; but a good world after all;
And a good God must have made it—leastways that's what I say,
When a hand rests on my shoulder in a friendly sort of way."

There are 198 lodges on the register. Of this number 59 lodges are not represented, 6 less than in 1936 but still an absentee percentage of approximately 30. Those lodges, which have no representation, are not confined to the so-called drouth area but are spread well over the whole jurisdiction. 20 lodges have the Master and both Wardens registered as compared with 9 lodges last year. 79 Masters, 80 Wardens and 249 Past Masters have registered which means an increase of 24 Masters, an increase of 31 Wardens and a decrease of 13 Past Masters in comparison with 1936. A total of 408 representatives have registered carrying a vote of 634.

We wish to record our sincere regret at the absence from this Communication of R.W. Bro. Wm. McCauley. Brother McCauley has served

faithfully and well on this committee for many years and was chairman in the years 1930 to 1936 inclusive. His absence has been greatly felt; we hope that he will soon be restored to health and able to take his accustomed place in this Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

F. C. WILSON, Chairman.

Election of Officers

The hour having arrived for the election of officers the Grand Master appointed M.W. Bro. J. Orville Clarke; R.W. Bros. J. C. Carter, M.W. Coxworth, F. A. Dunk, H. S. Neeley, J. E. Rodney; V.W. Bro. T. H. Pendlebury; W. Bros. Douglas Fraser, W. H. Gibson, A. S. Pipes; Bros. J. E. Cowie, H. G. Gilding, scrutineers. The result of the ballot was as follows:

R.W. Bro. M. Musk (63)	Grand Master
R.W. Bro. S. C. Burton (186)	Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. H. M. Underhill (110)	Grand Senior Warden
R.W. Bro. A. O. Brooks (77)	Grand Junior Warden
R.W. Bro. A. C. Garner (154)	Grand Treasurer
M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate (6)	Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. Loy S. Sifton (172)	Grand Registrar
Bro. D. MacGregor (104)	Grand Tyler

Board of General Purposes

The following Brethren were elected to the Board of General Purposes for two years: A. M. Bell (74), O. S. Black (125), S. J. A. Branion (63), W. McCauley (3), A. Turnbull (92); and for one year: W. L. Clink (19).

Board of Benevolence

The following Brethren were elected Trustees of the Benevolent Fund for the ensuing three years: W. M. Martin (2), N. B. Williams (77).

Expressions of Sympathy

On motion of W. Bro. Douglas Fraser and R.W. Bro. A. C. Garner it was resolved "That having heard with deep concern of the serious illness of the mother of M.W. Bro. J. W. Estey we record our heartfelt prayer for her speedy recovery and the earnest hope that she may for many years be spared to gladden the hearts of her children."

Vote of Thanks

On motion of W. Bro. H. Mackay and V.W. Bro. W. L. Clink it was resolved, "that the thanks of this Grand Lodge be extended to the Moose Jaw Brethren for the excellent arrangements made for the comfort and

pleasure of the Brethren from outside points, which arrangements included a complimentary banquet, a motor tour of the City, the installation of a loud speaker for use at the sessions of Grand Lodge and an information bureau for the convenience of Brethren seeking hotel accommodation."

Grand Lodge was called from labour at 12.00 p.m., until 2.00 p.m.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

Grand Lodge resumed labour at 2.00 p.m., M.W. Bro. J. W. Estey, Grand Master, on the Throne; Grand Officers, Members and Representatives present.

Installation of Officers

All business to come before Grand Lodge having been transacted, the retiring Grand Master, M.W. Bro. J. W. Estey, installed the newly elected Grand Master, M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate acting as Grand Director of Ceremonies. Immediately thereafter the remainder of the newly elected Grand Officers were duly installed by M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate acting as Installing Officer and V.W. Bro. E. Cullum Bird acting as Grand Director of Ceremonies.

The following Brethren, selected by their respective Districts, were appointed by the M.W. the Grand Master as District Deputy Grand Masters for the ensuing year, obligated and invested:

W. Bro. J. T. Tomlinson, No. 1.	W. Bro. W. R. Clark, No. 9.
W. Bro. J. Upprichard, No. 2.	W. Bro. H. M. P. DeRoche, No. 10.
W. Bro. E. Marriott, No. 3.	W. Bro. Wm. J. McKenzie, No. 11.
W. Bro. W. H. Gibson, No. 4.	W. Bro. O. D. Jacobs, No. 12.
W. Bro. J. R. Young, No. 5.	W. Bro. H. M. Earle, No. 13.
W. Bro. C. E. Wight, No. 6.	W. Bro. J. R. Pilson, No. 14.
W. Bro. Jas. Thomson, No. 7.	W. Bro. J. E. Parkinson, No. 15.
W. Bro. J. K. Pomeroy, No. 8.	W. Bro. J. Nottingham, No. 16.
W. Bro. J. V. Greer, No. 17.	

The following Brethren were also appointed to office for the ensuing year by the M.W. the Grand Master, and were duly invested:

W. Bro. F. J. Stevens (63).	Grand Chaplain
W. Bro. W. A. Ivers (196)	Grand Senior Deacon
W. Bro. C. A. Johnson (200)	Grand Junior Deacon
W. Bro. G. T. E. Tomsett (186).	Grand D. of C.
W. Bro. C. M. Jaques (88)	Grand Supt. of Works
W. Bro. A. R. Towndrow (47)...	Grand Organist
W. Bro. W. Lewis (21)	Grand Pursuivant

Grand Stewards

W. Bro. A. E. Major (173).	W. Bro. A. E. Grenkie (115).
W. Bro. H. Hartley (120).	W. Bro. W. Cuthbertson (188).
W. Bro. J. H. Moore (44).	W. Bro. W. Nicol (145).
W. Bro. L. Culham (119).	W. Bro. W. A. MacFarlane (133).
W. Bro. H. T. Kelly (143).	

The Acting Director of Ceremonies proclaimed the elected and appointed officers duly installed and invested for the ensuing twelve months.

Presentation to Grand Master

Immediately following the Installation of Grand Master, R.W. Bro. J. T. Tomlinson presented M.W. Bro. Musk with a Masonic ring, which ring was a gift from the Grand Master's son, daughter-in-law and grandson and was accompanied by a congratulatory message.

Presentation to Retiring Grand Master

M.W. Bro. N. B. Williams, on behalf of Grand Lodge, presented the retiring Grand Master, M.W. Bro. J. W. Estey, with a suitably engraved Past Grand Master's Jewel in recognition of his services to Grand Lodge. Bro. Williams paid high tribute to the splendid contribution to Masonry made by Bro. Estey during the year.

Grand Lodge Closes

The business of Grand Lodge being ended, the Thirty-first Annual Communication was closed in Ample Form at 4.00 p.m.

ROBT. A. TATE,
Assistant Grand Secretary.



In Memory Of

James C. Moore

Grand Treasurer

who passed away in Regina on Friday evening, February 19th, 1937, at the age of 76 years.

Brother Moore was born near Belleville, Ontario, October 3rd, 1860. He came west during the construction days of the Canadian Pacific Railway in the summer of 1882 and homesteaded southwest of the present city of Regina. He was Secretary-Treasurer of Local Improvement District No. 8-P-2 from 1904 to 1909 and Local Improvement District No. 159 from 1910 to 1911 when the name was changed and was incorporated to the present Rural Municipality of Sherwood No. 159. He continued as Secretary-Treasurer of this Municipality until 1925 when he resigned.

Brother Moore was associated with Knox Church, Regina, almost from its beginning in 1882. He was elected to the session and ordained an elder in December, 1926. He was faithful in attendance at both morning and evening service and had become a familiar figure in the gallery, where he usually sat. He was loyal and faithful in his obligations as a professing Christian and in his duties as a ruling elder of the Church.

James C. Moore first saw the light of Masonry in Wascana Lodge No. 2, Regina, being initiated October 6th, 1914, passed November 12th, 1914, and raised December 11th, 1914. He served Wascana Lodge as Worshipful Master in 1921. In recognition of his faithful and loyal services the Lodge elected him an Honourary Member on November 2nd, 1931. His services were always at the call of all Lodges within the length of his Cable Tow and the extent to which these services were appreciated is evidenced by the fact that he was elected an Honourary Member of North West Mounted Police Lodge No. 11, Regina, on May 20th, 1924; of Banner Lodge No. 154, Regina, on January 21st, 1924, and of St. Andrews Lodge No. 174, Regina, on May 3rd, 1926. He served District No. 2

as District Deputy Grand Master for the years 1923 and 1924. He was nominated by the late M.W. Bro. Kingsbury for appointment as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Vermont in 1925. He was elected Grand Treasurer at the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, June 19th, 1929, and continued in that office until his death. As Grand Treasurer he occupied a seat both on the Board of General Purposes and the Board of Trustees of the Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund, rendering invaluable service to both boards.

In the passing of Brother Moore, Saskatchewan Masonry loses one of its best loved members. He was quiet and retiring in manner, of sterling character, loyal in friendship and strong in the faith of the Christian religion. He never was a seeker of titles or office, but did whatever task was allotted him and did it well, giving freely of his time and energy in the service of the Craft he loved. His cheery smile and kindly greeting are gone but he has left the memory of a lovely character in the hearts and minds of the Masons of Saskatchewan. He possessed those qualities which the poet has considered necessary for ideal manhood.

"Four things a man must learn to do
If he would make his record true:
To think without confusion clearly;
To love his fellow-men sincerely;
To act from honest motives purely;
To trust in God and Heaven securely."

The funeral was held at Regina, February 22nd, 1937, from Knox United Church and was attended by M.W. Bro. J. W. Estey, Grand Master, and a number of Grand Lodge Officers. The Masonic Service at the graveside was conducted by Wascana Lodge No. 2 in the presence of a large gathering of Brethren and friends.

As a tribute of love and affection it is ordered that this memorial be read in each Lodge of this Grand Jurisdiction at the first regular communication after its receipt, that it be spread upon the minutes, and that the Altar be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days.

JAMES WILFRED ESTEY,
Grand Master.

Attest:
[SEAL] ROBT. A. TATE,
Assistant Grand Secretary.

In
Memory
of
The Illustrious Dead
of
Sister Grand
Lodges

In Memory of
George W. Craven

Honourary Past Grand Master

Died

July 30th, 1936

In Memory of

J. Obed Smith

HONOURARY PAST GRAND SENIOR WARDEN

AND

GRAND REPRESENTATIVE

OF THE

GRAND LODGE OF SASKATCHEWAN

NEAR THE

UNITED GRAND LODGE OF ENGLAND

Died

April 13th, 1937

IN MEMORY OF
RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER
William J. Scott
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 4, 1914.
Died April 20th, 1937

IN MEMORY OF
RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER
Robert M. Lindsay
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 12, 1919
Died March 28th, 1936

IN MEMORY OF
RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER
Fred Bryan
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 15, 1919
Died May 12th, 1936

IN MEMORY OF
RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER
Joseph Gronow
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 7, 1920
Died January 3rd, 1937

IN MEMORY OF
RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER
Edward Kingsbury
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 3, 1925
Died April 8th, 1937

IN MEMORY OF
VERY WORSHIPFUL BROTHER
George J. Crawley
GRAND SENIOR DEACON, 1924
Died August 29th, 1936

IN MEMORY OF
VERY WORSHIPFUL BROTHER
William F. Blodgett
GRAND JUNIOR DEACON, 1933
Died February 2nd, 1937

IN MEMORY OF
VERY WORSHIPFUL BROTHER
Samuel C. Lancaster
GRAND STEWARD, 1921
Died March 12th, 1937

IN MEMORY OF
VERY WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

Albert J. Humphries

GRAND STEWARD, 1922

Died April 20th, 1936

IN MEMORY OF
VERY WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

Joseph M. Clarke

GRAND PURSUIVANT, 1924

Died December 22nd, 1936

IN MEMORY OF
VERY WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

James A. Sutherland

GRAND TYLER, 1918-1920

Died September 3rd, 1936

In Memory of



No.	Lodge	Name
1.	Kinistino	Charles McDonald, Edwin T. Anderson, James C. Swanson, Edwin L. Olsen.
2.	Wascana	George M. Bell, Alexander Spence, George H. Dean, Alexander F. McRae, James C. Moore.
3.	Moose Jaw	Malcolm C. Norrington, Frank J. Grobb, William W. Davidson, James Looney, Vaughan E. Black, Daniel Malloch, Samuel Gordon.
5.	Indian Head.	John Blair, Thomas E. Jackson.
6.	Qu'Appelle	William K. Wilson.
7.	Moosomin	Albert W. McDonald.
10.	Evening Star	John Walker, James A. Sutherland.
11.	N.W.M.P.	Alexander Nicolson, John Stuart, Sydney A. Roberts, John Allsupp, Charles F. L. Money.
12.	Yorkton.	John G. Overhage, Thomas Brown, Joseph M. Clarke.
13.	Duck Lake	William Kennedy.
16.	Saskatchewan.	Leslie G. Roblin, John T. Davies, James Clinkskill, Thomas Barton, George W. Stainsby.
18.	Melfort.	Samuel C. Lancaster.
19.	Battle	Richard E. Osborn.
20.	Weyburn	George T. Partridge, Andrew Aitchison.
23.	Britannia	George B. Creech, Joseph Gronow.
25.	Estevan	Nathaniel Cloke.
26.	Swift Current.	Lorne A. MacDonald, Harold S. James, Frederick R. Carter.
28.	Hanley	Melville Loe.
29.	Heward	John D. Ford.
31.	Ionic	Charles C. Davies.
35.	Prince Rupert.	George J. Crawley.
36.	Bruce	William McAteer, Alexander Heuser.
37.	Wapella	Andrew T. Morrison, David Dalziel.
40.	Rouleau.	Andrew Nolan, George O. O. Fuller.
47.	Cupar	Richard McSweeney, John J. Myers.
48.	Grayson	Edward J. Wright.
49.	Assiniboia	J. J. Franzen, Harry Finlay, John Grant.
55.	Craik	George Rich, Henning Peterson.
57.	Prairie	Alfred J. Scott.
58.	King Solomon.	Fred Bryan.
59.	Canora	Louis Goldstein, William J. Britton.
60.	Imperial	Charles A. Green, Ernest E. Legge, John G. Nicholson.

In Memory of



No.	Lodge	Name
61.	Rocanville.	William J. Scott.
62.	Melville	Byon T. Hall.
63.	Prince Albert	Alexander Watson, Harold E. Ross.
64.	Manitou	Albert Monteith.
65.	Outlook	Elbert E. Stowell.
76.	Tisdale	John W. Robb, James D. Campbell.
77.	Abernethy.	Johnston Balfour.
82.	Victoria	Stewart Walker.
83.	Meridian ..	John E. Bole.
84.	Lanigan	James F. McFarlane.
88.	Briercrest	Edward Kingsbury.
90.	Kerrobert	Perry E. Glass.
91.	Rosetown ..	Albert J. McDonald.
92.	Lodge Progress	Franklin T. Banting, George Emmington.
93.	Morse ..	James A. McLaughlin.
101.	Acacia	William J. Rodman.
103.	Composite.	Dane M. Smith.
104.	King Hiram	Richard R. Jelly.
106.	St. John's	Richard Anthony, Douglas McA. Ross.
108.	Long Lake	John Davidson.
109.	Limerick	William F. Blodgett.
115.	Landis	James R. Nunn.
123.	Lancer	Duncan C. McIntosh, William H. Dutton.
127.	Birch Hills	William Mitchell, William E. Tice.
130.	Togo	William J. Sweet, William A. Abrogast.
135.	Elrose ..	Jalmer E. Johnson.
142.	Leader ..	Bernard C. Rose.
146.	Asquith	Matthew E. Little.
147.	Elstow	William J. Hurley, John E. Cline.
154.	Banner ..	William H. Crapper, Frederick Uffland, Alexander W. Goldie.
155.	Raymore	Albert J. Humphries.
156.	Avonlea	Samuel B. Lamont, Richard H. Murray.
157.	York ..	James F. Churchill.
158.	Borden	Joseph A. Stahl.
171.	Shellbrook.	James Belcher.
174.	St. Andrews	Maurice H. Tallant, George Milne, Henry Nelson, George Houston, Alexander Paterson, Frederick E. Burgess.
181.	Tuberose	Robert M. Lindsay.
187.	Lucky Lake	Wilfred P. Campbell.
190.	Turtleford	Crossley B. Rothery.

STATISTICAL TABLE—

	No. of Lodge	Membership March 1936	Membership March, 1937	Initiated	Affiliated	Reinstated	Demitted	Suspended	Com. L. Mbrs.	Deaths	Meetings Held Regular	Meetings Held Emergency	Average Attendance
Kinistino.....	1	134	130	5	1		3	3	2	2	10	14	28
Wascana.....	2	245	233	2			2	7	1	4	10	9	29
Moose Jaw.....	3	316	309	6	3		5	3	1	7	10	9	44
Qu'Appelle Valley.....	4	39	36			2	2	1	2		12	2	14
Indian Head.....	5	87	85	1	1	1	3			2	13		26
Qu'Appelle.....	6	42	39			1	1	2		1	12	5	17
Moosomin.....	7	83	70	1	1		1	10	4		8	1	14
Ashlar.....	8	36	35					1			13		11
Maple Leaf.....	9	67	63		2		2	4			11	1	20
Evening Star.....	10	40	37				1	2			9	1	11
N.W.M.P.....	11	243	226	5	7		7	9	7	6	10	11	47
Yorkton.....	12	90	82		2		4	4		2	10	1	24
Duck Lake.....	13	28	26	1			1	1		1	10	2	9
Sintaluta.....	14	54	62	7	1						12		19
Amity.....	15	46	38	1					9		11	1	13
Saskatchewan.....	16	271	278	7	7	8	5	1	5	4	10	17	56
Carlyle.....	17	68	68		1		1				10	1	13
Melfort.....	18	127	114		1		3	11			13	2	25
Battle.....	19	58	55	2	1		4		1	1	10	3	23
Weyburn.....	20	89	88		2		1			2	10	1	20
Arcola.....	21	51	50		1				2		7	1	10
Rosthern.....	22	47	46	2			3				12		15
Britannia.....	23	79	74	1			4			2	11	4	13
Wolseley.....	24	32	33		1						12		9
Estevan.....	25	98	101	4	3				4		12	1	32
Swift Current.....	26	122	122	2	1	1	2			2	12	1	29
Alameda.....	27	24	24			1	1				1		9
Hanley.....	28	48	47			1	1			1	10	2	13
Heward.....	29	35	34							1	4	1	11
New Hope.....	30	53	51				1	1			11		12
Ionic.....	31	135	134	4	1		3	1	1	1	11	9	39
Golden Rule.....	32	32	32								12	1	11
Davidson.....	33	77	74	1	1	1	3	3			10	2	21
Lang.....	34	38	38								10		9
Prince Rupert.....	35	74	64	3	1	1	6	3	5	1	10	1	22
Bruce.....	36	64	63							1	9		14
Wapella.....	37	36	31		1		1	5			9	1	11
Ekapo.....	38	40	40								9		9
Boscurvis.....	39	37	39		2						12	1	15
Rouleau.....	40	78	75	1			1		1	2	10	2	23
Drinkwater.....	41	57	57	3				3			10	1	15
Caron.....	42	64	60	1	1		1	4	1		9	2	23
Ishpaming.....	43	27	27	1			1				12	3	13
Landmark.....	44	75	74	1	2		3	1			13	4	20
Aurora.....	45	36	35		1		2				10	1	12
Strasbourg.....	46	36	34				2				10	1	12
Cupar.....	47	38	36		1		1			2	12		12
Grayson.....	48	40	38						1	1	6	1	10
Assiniboia.....	49	263	246	5		1	9	6	5	3	10	11	49

CONSTITUENT LODGES

Am't Paid for Local Relief	Members 12 Months in Arrears	Total Arrearages	Cash on Hand	Assets	Liabilities	Ins. in Force	No. Visits by D.D.G.M.	Does Lodge own its own Hall?
168.90	55	664.50	1,822.22	5,000.00		4,000.00	1	No
12.15	85	955.25	621.92	15,677.17	4,662.40	300.00	1	Pt.
242.30	4	53.00	1,160.02	69,711.61	203.19	Full	1	Yes
130.00	4	40.00	152.00	5,213.00		3,000.00	1	Yes
39.00	25	243.00	121.00	864.00		500.00	1	No
20.00	45	352.00	375.00	4,252.00	777.00	2,500.00	1	Yes
	20	537.00	139.15	1,627.95		1,220.00	1	No
	10	133.00	15.73	1,648.73		1,200.00	1	Yes
115.00	19	210.00	156.34	2,766.34	98.49	1,500.00	1	No
7.00	18	190.00	66.44	843.14	75.00	300.00	1	No
26.00	72	953.00	915.26	12,643.26	1,124.50	150.00	1	Pt.
30.55	49	955.00	273.14	279.14		300.00	1	No
	16	120.00	14.20	900.00	60.00	400.00	2	No
	42	757.00	213.00	1,970.00		1,700.00	1	Pt.
	19	530.85	284.85	1,515.70	70.50	500.00	1	No
461.30	70	725.75	1,229.91	7,770.66	68.00	400.00	1	Pt.
260.00	32	472.00	100.63	1,137.00		450.00	1	No
50.05	54	1,151.68	508.31	3,301.68	40.00	825.00	1	No
171.38	12	418.00	276.93	1,350.43	330.00	500.00	2	No
25.00	33	688.00	200.00	2,500.00		12,000.00	1	Pt.
	29	398.00	89.45	1,098.00	1.06	300.00	1	No
	20	158.00	30.82	4,500.00	1,400.00	2,900.00	1	Yes
3.00	18	490.00	164.83	3,948.28	1,395.95	2,500.00	2	Yes
	17	378.00	58.00	786.00	75.00	250.00	1	No
	55	984.50	323.31	1,277.81	53.61	700.00	1	No
13.50	45	752.00	271.21	10,953.20	6,519.00	7,000.00	1	Yes
39.00	20	310.00	50.71	410.00	100.00		1	No
	19	416.00	328.88	1,440.00		800.00	1	No
	20	172.00	12.24	1,693.24	116.80	1,100.00	1	Yes
	37	900.00		1,150.00	36.00	200.00	1	No
186.85	41	649.45	2,233.24	4,975.81	266.53	250.00	2	No
	23	458.00	157.31	615.31		300.00	1	No
25.00	32	440.00	224.73	1,469.69		500.00	1	No
	23	668.00	45.00	1,850.00		500.00	1	Yes
5.00	22	372.00	586.26	5,193.26	72.00	3,000.00	2	Yes
12.00	39	334.78	35.00	2,700.00		200.00	2	No
	14	307.00	357.94	850.44			1	No
	18	528.00	236.53	1,764.53		1,000.00	1	Yes
	12	154.90	1.97	556.87	53.00	600.00	1	No
	34	400.00	906.24	5,379.94		2,900.00	1	Yes
	35	489.00	243.00	732.00	90.00	450.00	1	No
50.00	20	232.00	156.02	2,893.15		1,250.00	1	Yes
6.00	14	320.00	8.28	550.00	105.00	300.00	1	No
	18	174.00	22.22	4,558.16	428.80	3,300.00	2	Yes
24.00	8	150.00	275.00	550.00				No
	16	440.69	59.85	1,022.54	26.00	600.00	1	No
12.00	16	300.00	263.00	3,563.00		2,250.00	1	Yes
	13	290.00	17.00	607.00	70.00	300.00	1	No
	71	1,503.00	119.77	13,207.96	2,207.13	250.00	1	Pt.

	No. of Lodge	Membership March, 1936	Membership March, 1937	Initiated	Affiliated	Reinstated	Demitted	Suspended	Com. L. Mbrs.	Deaths	Meetings Held Regular	Meetings Held Emergency	Average Attendance
Golden Fleece	50	50	46					4			4	1	9
Torchwood	51	20	22	1		2			1	11			8
Border.. . . .	52	23	23							9	2		10
Nanatah	53	60	59						1	13	2		20
Buchanan	54	17	16				1			4	1		8
Craik	55	47	46	3	1			3		2	9	5	19
Elbow View	56	25	25	1				1		10	1		7
Prairie	57	54	55		1	1	1			10	2		21
King Solomon	58	59	59	2	1			1	2	11	2		24
Canora	59	59	51		1		3	3	1	2	10	1	10
Imperial	60	195	191	3	3	2	4	4	2	2	10	11	34
Rocanville	61	33	33		1			1		10	2		10
Melville	62	105	96	4		1	6	4	3	1	11	4	21
Prince Albert	63	131	129	4	3		7	4	1	1	10	11	27
Manitou	64	72	75	6	2			4		1	9	6	24
Outlook.	65	55	54							1	10	1	10
Wynyard	66	57	57	1	1		2			14	1		14
Eye brow	67	31	31							6			8
Govan	68	60	52	1			2	2	5	10			23
Carrot River	69	66	69	1	2					12			14
Cypress	70	85	74				4	6	1	10	1		20
Doric	71	106	108	4			1	1	1	10	4		27
Corinthian	72	71	70	1	1		1	1	1	11	2		17
Unity	73	79	80	1						12	1		24
Kilwinning	74	42	41				1			10			18
Harmony	75	38	39		2		1			11	2		12
Tisdale	76	104	102	1	1		2			2	11	3	30
Abernethy	77	54	53		1				1	1	11	2	20
Tugaske	78	60	59			1	2			13			17
Foam Lake	79	45	46	1						12	1		10
Connaught	80	29	26				2		1	10	1		13
Tuscan	81	40	39	1	2		3	1		11	1		13
Victoria.	82	68	60				4		3	1	9	2	12
Meridian.	83	41	37	2	1		3	3		1	13		13
Lanigan	84	41	41	3		1		1	2	1	11	4	15
Zealandia	85	34	36	1	1					12	3		15
Kindersley	86	101	98	1	4	1	5	2	2	10			19
Wadena	87	44	44		1	1	2			13	2		16
Briercrest	88	39	38				1			6			9
Twin City	89	80	76	1		1	1	4	1	10	1		14
Ker Robert	90	82	79				1		1	1	12	2	18
Rosetown	91	100	100	2	2		1		2	1	10	4	27
Lodge Progress	92	231	240	7	6	1	1	2		2	10	20	58
Morse	93	47	44				1		1	1	12	1	6
Maryfield	94	47	40				2	4	1	10			11
Evergreen	95	22	19					3		10			8
Yellow Grass	96	43	42				1			7	1		18
Radisson	97	43	43	1			1			10	3		20
Union	98	35	36	2	1	1	2		1	10	3		11

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60.00	31	543.00	45.20	683.20	200.00		1	No
	2	35.00	93.79	600.00		450.00	1	No
	14	134.00	27.90	300.00			1	No
25.00	33	800.00	504.00	4,400.00		1,300.00	1	Yes
	11	222.00	68.97	1,422.00	32.00	1,000.00	1	Yes
8.50	11	87.00	311.10	4,005.95	41.00	2,100.00	1	Yes
	16	170.20	70.86			400.00	1	No
	17	380.00	107.67	2,500.00		1,800.00	1	Yes
40.00	21	250.00	75.86	4,063.05	1,377.00	2,500.00	1	Yes
	23	211.00	255.45	2,600.85	88.37	2,200.00	1	Yes
120.00	36	1,030.00	45.00	6,800.00	150.00	300.00	1	Pt.
15.00	13	239.00	52.89	441.89		150.00	1	No
5.00	49	675.00	586.53	8,621.53	3,850.00	5,800.00	1	Yes
187.12	42	963.50	1,788.61	4,137.11		4,000.00	1	No
10.00	21	243.40	282.17	3,377.68	10.00	1,000.00	1	No
	20	300.00		1,500.00		800.00	1	Yes
	6	42.00	248.00	3,300.00		500.00	1	No
	20	650.00	416.36	3,300.00		600.00	1	No
72.00	14	348.60	80.40	8,743.49	1,821.35	4,470.00	3	Yes
33.50	31	375.00	515.59	2,300.00		1,500.00	1	No
	36	1,418.00	99.18	6,500.00	2,250.00	3,800.00	1	Yes
65.00	45	1,309.00	117.27	3,091.26	387.50	400.00	1	No
	30	362.00	92.27	1,300.00		750.00	1	No
	27	410.00	109.89	850.00	42.50	250.00	1	No
	9	111.00	30.50	891.50		300.00	1	No
	26	704.00	63.13	400.00		300.00	1	No
76.00	7	59.00	120.63	6,000.00		3,425.00	1	Yes
	14	231.00	206.00	1,794.00	45.00	330.00	1	No
45.00	27	739.00	130.12	3,000.00		1,500.00	1	Yes
	5	35.00	126.44	1,163.41		200.00	1	No
	7	282.00	183.97	815.97		350.00	1	No
	25	344.50	74.00	900.00		726.00	1	No
	39	270.00	856.00	3,600.00	55.00	2,500.00	1	Yes
10.00	10	197.00	98.56	2,000.00		1,200.00	1	Yes
20.63	11	155.00	581.08	1,661.08	73.00	500.00	2	No
	11	58.50	35.70	5,018.77	241.50	3,900.00	1	Yes
40.00	29	836.00	364.91	7,044.88		4,500.00	1	Yes
29.00	2	44.00	56.00	1,500.00		1,200.00	2	No
	28	481.00	106.02	3,887.02	2,300.00	1,600.00	1	Yes
155.00	23	540.50	2,497.44	2,997.44		500.00	1	No
	23	292.00	39.00	5,142.26	363.66	1,100.00	1	No
50.00	22	480.00	56.35	5,737.35	3,870.00	3,300.00	1	Yes
280.00	77	1,176.30	550.70	11,242.27	2,417.53	3,800.00	1	Pt.
	18	783.80	165.29	6,842.40	1,900.00	4,000.00	1	Yes
	20	534.50	75.00	834.50	75.00	300.00	1	No
	3	213.00	4.85	3,850.00	3,100.00	2,000.00	1	Yes
	16	175.00	97.00	300.00	65.00	200.00	2	No
	7	127.00	367.70	1,404.00		250.00	1	No
5.00	9	80.00	133.02	400.00		400.00	1	No

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Goose Lake	99	40	37				2		1		7	1	8
Biggar	100	103	104	6	3	2	2	8			12	3	31
Acacia	101	52	55	5		2	2		1	1	10	3	17
Invermay	102	22	22	1			1				11	1	11
Composite.....	103	37	35					1		1	13		11
King Hiram.....	104	203	196	4			5	3		1	10	9	35
Gothic	105	45	43				2				13		15
St. John's.....	106	63	62	1	1		1		1	1	10	3	14
Mortlach	107	55	54				1				13	1	16
Long Lake	108	55	50				1	3		1	10	1	18
Limerick	109	68	68	1						1	13		21
Shaunavon	110	100	97	4		1	5	2	1		11	8	24
Aneroid	111	54	58		1	5	1	1			11		18
Woodrow	112	53	50			2	3		2		12	1	23
Broderick.....	113	48	49		1						10	1	15
Central Butte.....	114	62	61		1		2				12	1	17
Landis	115	27	26							1	11		9
Ceylon	116	34	34	1			1				11	1	8
Dundurn	117	32	32	1			1				11	2	14
Paragon	118	46	47	2			1				10		15
Cabri	119	56	61	4	1						11	1	15
Ogema	120	54	51			1		4			11		12
Simpson	121	26	24					2			10	2	9
Azure	122	66	65	1			1		1		12	2	20
Lancer	123	69	64				1	2		2	7	1	12
Mount Hermon.....	124	53	60	4	3						13	2	17
Latomia.....	125	86	88	1	1						9	1	23
Cadillac	126	29	29								11		11
Birch Hills	127	43	41			1	1			2	13	3	19
Meyronne	128	46	46								12	1	19
Mossbank	129	37	36					1			11		13
Togo	130	38	35					1		2	12	3	15
Dinston... ..	131	59	64	4	2			1			12	5	20
Conquest	132	50	48	1	1		1	3			11	1	14
Philathea	133	53	56	4			1				12	1	21
Eston	134	82	86	4	2			1		1	12	2	27
Elrose	135	47	46	2	1		1	1		2	10	2	14
St. George.....	136	169	167	2	2		3	3			10	3	38
Tyrian	137	23	25	1	1	1	1				9	1	10
Kincaid	138	75	76	1	1		1				11	1	17
Riverhurst	139	37	35			1	1	2			12		11
Sceptre	140	36	35			1	1	1			11	1	15
Progressive	141	55	53				2				9	2	15
Leader	142	65	61	2			3		2	1	12		10
Hawarden	143	34	35	2			1				11	1	14
Victory... ..	144	153	166	12	8		5	2			10	14	30
Elfros	145	30	29					1			12	1	15
Asquith	146	34	32	2	1		2	2		1	13	3	12
Elstow	147	52	49	1			2			2	10	2	15
Dunblane... ..	148	41	41								9	2	10

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	28	392.00	180.00	200.00	74.00	200.00	1	No
59.00	13	120.00	769.34	2,869.34		300.00	1	No
10.00	32	512.00	315.53	5,000.00	1,500.00	2,000.00	1	Yes
15.00	5	70.00	397.02	3,167.00	7.00	1,200.00	2	No
20.00	16	243.00	97.63	700.63	5.00	450.00	1	No
165.00	71	797.95	65.03	10,931.38	303.75	300.00	1	Pt.
	14	226.50	31.54	3,200.00	124.20	2,000.00	1	Yes
21.59	33	594.00	56.47	1,890.47	24.99	250.00	1	No
25.00	25	389.50	165.75	2,409.96		320.00	1	No
	20	211.00	110.00	3,500.00		2,100.00	2	Yes
	23	115.00	93.00	1,300.00		700.00	1	No
48.65	47	794.75	1,495.26	7,484.12	74.60	1,200.00	1	Yes
45.00	9	55.00	1,666.68	2,466.68		400.00	2	No
7.00	22	164.00	516.98	1,296.98		350.00	1	No
	22	204.00	2.91	2,640.91		1,200.00	1	Yes
25.00	28	557.00	398.34	3,500.00	250.00	2,500.00	1	Yes
	17	250.00	260.00	1,000.00		400.00	1	No
	21	300.00	240.00	540.00		1,200.00	1	Pt.
	11	189.50	110.00	410.00	34.55	280.00	1	No
	28	559.00		400.00		300.00	1	No
	17	88.00	285.35	1,801.13		500.00	1	No
5.10	38	1,008.50	124.85	3,500.00	900.00	2,250.00	1	Yes
	5	88.00	77.69	305.69		250.00	1	No
	14	519.50	24.00	6,000.00		3,100.00	1	Yes
28.00	32	360.00	40.90	2,400.90		1,200.00	1	Yes
15.00			130.73	3,884.22	52.00	300.00	1	No
45.00	25	330.00	66.15	231.15		12,000.00	1	Pt.
	10	109.85	20.00	1,687.87	195.00	200.00	1	Pt.
	14	208.00	185.81	1,143.81	9.82	200.00	1	No
	8	66.00	253.00	619.00		150.00	2	No
	10	100.00	114.94	3,544.94	1,545.00	2,000.00	1	Yes
24.00	25	201.50	11.85	1,510.95	350.00	800.00	1	Yes
	14	144.00	154.12	3,200.00	500.00	2,150.00	1	Yes
	27	542.15	38.25	942.15		400.00	1	No
60.00	26	290.00	45.00	4,800.00	2,300.00	2,800.00	2	Yes
	8	80.00	243.92	7,643.00	1,162.00	10,800.00	1	Yes
	18	500.00	150.00	2,500.00	1,500.00	2,000.00	1	Yes
132.69	55	473.50	263.48	3,105.37	424.60	200.00	1	No
	16	440.00	9.00	900.00	300.00	800.00	2	Yes
25.00	29	268.00	813.34	766.42		250.00	1	No
	4	48.00	86.52	1,750.00	110.00	1,750.00	1	Yes
	13	255.00	123.06	3,933.46	2,610.00	3,500.00	1	Yes
10.00	31	326.70	396.93	1,523.65		800.00	1	No
40.00	34	1,151.50	925.26	8,848.26		4,500.00	1	Yes
100.00	6	60.00	143.61	2,200.00	1,600.00	1,800.00	1	Yes
185.00	52	511.00	10.00	1,923.75	750.00	600.00	1	Pt.
206.00	8	86.00	573.11	2,273.00		200.00	1	No
	7	80.00	72.50	812.52		300.00	1	No
170.00	17	520.25	461.48	1,354.83	62.00	400.00	1	No
20.00	14	207.00	4.55	2,298.24		925.00	1	Yes

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Loverna.....	149	33	30				3				4		9
Wawota.....	150	36	36								7	1	10
Viscount.....	151	42	42								13		13
Star City.....	152	38	38								10		11
Banner.....	154	258	256	2	3	1	4	1		3	10	9	46
Raymore.....	155	19	17				1	1			9	1	10
Avonlea.....	156	54	50					1	1	2	10	1	14
York.....	157	26	27	1	1					1	8	1	10
Borden.....	158	58	57		1		1			1	13	3	20
Cut Knife ..	160	31	32	1		1	1				11		13
Welwyn.....	161	19	19								10	1	9
Saltcoats ..	162	20	20								9	1	9
Fillmore.....	163	43	43								11		14
Milestone.....	164	46	43				1	2			13		15
St. Luke's ..	165	44	47	2	1	1	1				13	1	20
Wakaw.....	166	31	29		2	1	1	4			5		7
Preeceville.....	167	38	31			1	1	6	1		11	1	10
Earl Grey.....	168	28	28	1			1				12	1	10
Quill Lake.....	169	34	30				1	3			7	1	7
Sharon.....	170	35	34				1				13	1	14
Shellbrook.....	171	46	44	2	1			4		1	12	2	21
Memorial.....	172	55	61	6		2	2				10	2	21
Lakeview.....	173	24	22				2				3		7
St. Andrews.....	174	154	142	3			6	2		7	10	6	24
Radville.....	175	43	50	5	2						10	3	18
Gray.....	176	32	30				2				10		12
Verwood.....	177	60	61	1							9	1	16
Norquay.....	178	43	40					3			12	1	10
Kelvington.....	179	38	39	1	1			1			12	2	11
Herbert.....	180	44	44								10		11
Tuberoose.....	181	35	33	2			1	2		1	9	2	15
Lonach.....	182	29	30	2	2	1	3		1		13	2	14
Nipawin.....	183	43	46	1	2						11	2	14
Osage.....	184	26	26								12		9
Loyalty ..	185	28	23					5			12	1	10
Emulation ..	186	94	94	4			3		1		10	4	26
Lucky Lake ..	187	31	32	2		1	1			1	11	2	10
Glenedyth ..	188	43	45	2							12	1	19
Herschel.....	189	23	25	1		1					13	1	11
Turtleford.....	190	32	30	3			2	2		1	11	4	14
Macrorie.....	191	18	17						1		12	3	12
Sovereign.....	192	34	34	3			1	2			11	1	15
Mazenod.....	193	33	33	1			1				13	1	16
Vanguard.....	194	25	30	5	1	1		2			11	2	24
Pleasantdale.....	195	24	27	3	1			1			13	2	8
Lacadena.....	196	23	23		1					1	11	1	10
Chaplin.....	197	23	24	2			1				12	2	12
Colfax.....	198	29	29								12	1	12
Admiral.....	199	23	21					2			11	1	8
Hudson Bay.....	200	22	21				1				10	1	14

Am't Paid for Local Relief	Members 12 Months in Arrears	Total Arrearages	Cash on Hand	Assets	Liabilities	Ins. in Force	No. Visits by D.D.G.M.	Does Lodge own its own Hall?
	1	65.00	520.51	870.50		300.00		No
	23	619.18	245.75	1,264.93	10.00	400.00	1	No
9.50	2	15.00	79.83	2,145.00	35.00	1,900.00	2	Yes
	10	100.00	388.74	2,907.00		2,000.00	1	Yes
10.00	135	2,274.50	1,414.06	15,406.94		250.00	1	Pt.
	3	82.75	138.76	200.00		150.00	1	No
2.00	33	1,020.00	87.76	4,250.00	4,056.00	1,500.00	1	Yes
	12	149.00	572.44	1,050.00		350.00	1	No
	20	327.00	311.01	2,138.00	15.00	1,800.00	1	Yes
	17	345.00	140.20	789.65	50.00	250.00	2	No
	7	68.00	107.00	425.00		250.00	1	No
10.00	1	20.00	355.12	1,600.00		1,600.00	1	Yes
	18	389.00	170.09	1,068.09		400.00	1	No
	16	503.65	73.14	4,751.79	2,975.00	3,500.00	1	Yes
	6	51.00	474.85	400.00		300.00	1	No
	7	105.00	195.40	810.46		400.00	1	No
29.70	20	338.00	156.96	1,400.00	324.00	1,400.00	1	Yes
	13	81.00	56.00	1,137.00	500.00	1,500.00	1	Yes
	14	224.00	263.00	1,200.00		400.00	1	No
	9	201.00	38.35	3,500.00	400.00	1,000.00	1	Yes
	9	137.00	40.00	1,000.00		750.00	1	No
56.00	21	502.00	320.00	1,934.25	488.46	300.00	1	No
	11	340.00	235.20	840.40	201.52	250.00	1	No
	82	2,064.00	30.10	11,771.10	7,227.18	350.00	1	Pt.
	24	454.00	283.75	1,092.75		300.00	1	No
	13	140.00	135.00	2,000.00		1,500.00	1	Yes
	41	600.00	334.88	1,400.00	100.00	1,000.00	1	No
	22	605.00				3,000.00	1	Yes
27.27	6	35.00	179.87	752.87		500.00	2	No
	7	57.50	246.65	804.15		300.00	1	No
	7	70.00	85.18	2,500.00	1,000.00	1,800.00	1	Yes
36.00	2	30.00	92.66	2,084.10	490.00	1,500.00	2	Yes
7.00	17	250.00	602.36	950.00		600.00	1	No
	15	175.35	37.14	1,029.00	26.27	300.00	1	No
31.75	8	150.00	376.00	576.00		200.00	1	No
16.00	44	1,235.50	86.78	11,322.28	5,735.15	200.00	2	Pt.
	7	144.00	518.90	902.90		240.00	1	No
7.50	21	434.00	52.30	450.00		200.00	1	No
	4	48.00	225.87	400.00		400.00	1	No
	5	54.50	866.66	866.66		250.00	1	No
	5	74.00	137.80	537.80	25.00	300.00	1	No
	3	30.00	150.00	3,700.00	600.00	2,250.00	2	Yes
			271.90	1,500.00		1,200.00	1	Yes
	12	285.00	138.82	300.00	20.42	150.00	1	No
	4	60.00	237.31	579.31		300.00	1	No
			249.70	726.55		240.00	1	No
			284.50	1,000.00		300.00	1	Yes
	12	161.00	58.64	2,000.00	475.00	1,500.00	1	Yes
22.10	10	205.00	1.90	2,296.90	300.59	1,400.00	1	Yes
			207.72	482.72			1	No

OFFICERS OF GRAND LODGE

Elected at its foundation, August, 1906, and annually since.

Year	G.M.	D.G.M.	G.S.W.	G.J.W.	G. Treas.	G. Sec'y.	Gr. Regist.
1906—	H. H. Campkin	†C. O. Davidson	*H. Jagger	W. B. Tate	*A. Sheppard	*J. M. Shaw	*A. H. Smith
1907—	H. H. Campkin	†C. O. Davidson	*H. Jagger	W. B. Tate	*A. Sheppard	*J. M. Shaw	*A. H. Smith
1908—	†C. O. Davidson	*H. Jagger	W. B. Tate	*J. McGuirl	*A. Sheppard	*J. M. Shaw	*H. C. Lisle
1909—	*H. Jagger	W. B. Tate	*Wm. Hopkins	*J. McGuirl	*A. Sheppard	*J. M. Shaw	*A. C. Patterson
1910—	W. B. Tate	*Wm. Hopkins	A. S. Gorrell	*W. B. Willoughby	*A. Sheppard	*J. M. Shaw	*F. S. Proctor
1911—	*Wm. Hopkins	A. S. Gorrell	*W. B. Willoughby	†L. T. McDonald	*A. Sheppard	*J. M. Shaw	*D. P. Kennedy
1912—	A. S. Gorrell	*W. B. Willoughby	†L. T. McDonald	*W. M. Thomson	*A. Sheppard	*J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1913—	*W. B. Willoughby	†L. T. McDonald	*W. M. Thomson	*J. H. Anderson	*A. Sheppard	*J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1914—	†L. T. McDonald	*W. M. Thomson	*J. H. Anderson	*J. Montgomery	*A. Sheppard	*J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1915—	*W. M. Thomson	*J. H. Anderson	R. Young	C. Stewart	*A. Sheppard	W. B. Tate	F. B. Reilly
1916—	*J. H. Anderson	J. McCauley	R. Young	N. B. Williams	*A. Sheppard	W. B. Tate	F. B. Reilly
1917—	J. McCauley	R. Young	N. B. Williams	*E. L. Elwood	*A. Sheppard	W. B. Tate	F. B. Reilly
1918—	R. Young	N. B. Williams	*E. L. Elwood	†G. M. Weir	*A. Sheppard	W. B. Tate	F. B. Reilly
1919—	N. B. Williams	*E. L. Elwood	†G. M. Weir	J. E. McFee	*A. Sheppard	W. B. Tate	F. B. Reilly
1920—	*E. L. Elwood	†G. M. Weir	*A. Sheppard	J. W. MacNeill	F. B. Reilly	W. B. Tate	J. A. Mooney
1921—	†G. M. Weir	*A. Sheppard	J. W. MacNeill	*D. A. Kingsbury	F. B. Reilly	W. B. Tate	J. A. Mooney
1922—	*A. Sheppard	J. W. MacNeill	*D. A. Kingsbury	G. Swain	F. B. Reilly	W. B. Tate	J. A. Mooney
1923—	J. W. MacNeill	*D. A. Kingsbury	G. Swain	W. J. Smith	F. B. Reilly	W. B. Tate	J. A. Mooney
1924—	*D. A. Kingsbury	G. Swain	W. J. Smith	W. M. Martin	F. B. Reilly	W. B. Tate	J. A. Mooney
1925—	G. Swain	W. J. Smith	W. M. Martin	J. K. Irwin	F. B. Reilly	W. B. Tate	*J. W. Cram
1926—	W. J. Smith	W. M. Martin	J. K. Irwin	J. O. Clarke	F. B. Reilly	W. B. Tate	J. R. Yorke
1927—	W. M. Martin	J. K. Irwin	J. O. Clarke	C. P. Moore	F. B. Reilly	W. B. Tate	J. R. Yorke
1928—	J. K. Irwin	J. O. Clarke	C. P. Moore	J. McGregor	F. B. Reilly	W. B. Tate	J. R. Yorke
1929—	J. O. Clarke	C. P. Moore	J. McGregor	F. B. Reilly	*J. C. Moore	W. B. Tate	J. R. Yorke
1930—	C. P. Moore	J. McGregor	F. B. Reilly	N. R. Craig	*J. C. Moore	W. B. Tate	J. R. Yorke
1931—	J. McGregor	F. B. Reilly	N. R. Craig	*M. A. MacKay	*J. C. Moore	W. B. Tate	J. R. Yorke
1932—	F. B. Reilly	N. R. Craig	*M. A. MacKay	T. W. Sutherland	*J. C. Moore	W. B. Tate	J. R. Yorke
1933—	N. R. Craig	*M. A. MacKay	T. W. Sutherland	J. R. Yorke	*J. C. Moore	W. B. Tate	A. Johnstone
1934—	T. W. Sutherland	J. R. Yorke	J. W. Estey	M. Musk	*J. C. Moore	W. B. Tate	A. Johnstone
1935—	J. R. Yorke	J. W. Estey	M. Musk	S. C. Burton	*J. C. Moore	W. B. Tate	A. O. Brooks
1936—	J. W. Estey	M. Musk	S. C. Burton	H. M. Underhill	*J. C. Moore	W. B. Tate	A. O. Brooks
1937—	M. Musk	S. C. Burton	H. M. Underhill	A. O. Brooks	A. C. Garner	W. B. Tate	L. S. Sifton

† Left the Jurisdiction

* Deceased

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

<i>To Sask.</i>	<i>Jurisdiction</i>	<i>From Sask.</i>	
F. T. Fraser	Tisdale	Alabama	J. D. Pruett Boaz
A. A. Wilson	Saskatoon	Alberta	W. J. Botterill Red Deer
S. C. Burton	Regina	Arizona	J. K. Chilton Clifton
Wm. McCauley	Regina	Arkansas	M. J. Manning Clarendon
Robt. A. Tate	Regina	Br. Columbia	H. B. Morley Penticton
A. S. Gorrell	Regina	Canada in Ont.	E. G. Dixon Hamilton
F. W. Hart	Indian Head	Chile	Luis Quiroga Santiago
A. G. Rawlinson	Qu'Appelle	Colorado	C. S. Desch, Jr. Denver
W. G. Robinson	Francis	Connecticut	G. B. Lewis Naugatuck
H. S. Craig	Rouleau	Costa Rica	Alex. Murray San Jose
George Grant	Quill Lake	Cuba	F. S. Nunez Habana
T. W. Sutherland	Shellbrook	Delaware	J. F. Robinson Wilmington
A. Stewart	Woodrow	D. of Columbia	A. C. Wilkins Washington
J. McCauley	Moose Jaw	England	
J. R. Young	Saskatoon	Florida	Wm. F. Hansen Pensacola
		France (Nat.)	W. G. Perry Paris
H. Bateman	Duff	Georgia	H. K. Lamb Brunswick
J. A. Newmann	Regina	Idaho	H. P. Glinderman C.d'Alene
C. P. Secley	Saskatoon	Illinois	W. C. Rapp Chicago
G. Hooker	Woodrow	Indiana	H. B. Tuthill Mich. City
N. B. Williams	Regina	Iowa	F. S. Moses Clinton
W. B. Tate	Regina	Ireland	T. W. H. Davies Waterford
W. M. Martin	Regina	Kansas	J. H. Trice Medicine L'g'e
T. A. Paterson	Arcola	Kentucky	W. C. Black Barbourville
		Lessing Three Rings	
T. J. Ford	Saskatoon	Louisiana	C. P. Derveloy Alexandria
G. W. S. Eisnor	Woodrow	Maine	A. A. Smith Bangor
W. R. McConnell	Regina	Manitoba	A. Burgess Winnipeg
Dr. J. W. Wickware	Regina	Maryland	C. W. Donnelly Baltimore
R. W. Asselstine	Saskatoon	Massachusetts	James Young Salem
A. E. Orchard	Borden	Mexico	H. M. Campbell Mex. City
Dr. C. P. Moore	Weyburn	Michigan	Ira A. Beck Battle Creek
C. H. Boyd	Moose Jaw	Minnesota	R. E. Van Kirk St. Paul
		Mississippi	M. W. Miller Leland
J. Orville Clarke	Govan	Missouri	W. S. MacAaron Boonville
W. J. Smith	Shaunavon	Montana	H. C. Smith Miles City
M. Musk	Prince Albert	Nebraska	O. C. Dovey Plattsmouth
G. Swain	Saskatoon	Nevada	F. H. Norcross Carson City
W. E. Dennison	Assiniboia	New Brunswick	F. O. Sullivan St. Stephen
		New Hampshire	J. J. Tilton Effing
G. G. Grant	Regina	New Jersey	F. L. Silver Philadelphia
W. S. Cooper	Rosetown	N.S. Wales	C. C. Paterson Sydney
J. Wilkinson	Govan	New York	Max Z. Stein New York
F. B. Reilly	Regina	New Zealand	J. D. Webster Auckland
A. M. Bell	Adanac	North Carolina	H. A. Hewell Henderson
J. R. Yorke	Regina	North Dakota	P. O. Sathre Bismarck
N. R. Craig	Moose Jaw	Nova Scotia	J. S. Smiley Amherst
A. C. Garner	Regina	Ohio	C. E. Norris Canton
A. Johnstone	Outlook	Oklahoma	B. Herstein Idabel
J. K. Irwin	Regina	Oregon	Robert Tucker Portland
R. E. Johnson	Meyronne	Paraiba	J. C. C. Nobrega J. Pessoa
W. E. Jennings	Limerick	Ph. Islands	Vin. Orosa Cabanatuan
J. W. MacNeill	N. Battleford	P. E. Island	Wm. McLean Kensington
H. M. Underhill	Shaunavon	Porto Rico	R. R. Pabon San Juan
J. A. Mooney	Regina	Quebec	G. S. Burrows St. Lambert

<i>To Sask.</i>		<i>Jurisdiction</i>		<i>From Sask.</i>
C. L. Riach	Prince Albert	Queensland	F. Holland	Brisbane
Loy S. Sifton	Moose Jaw	Rhode Island	J. C. Collins	Providence
J. E. Rodney	Kerrobert	Rio de Janeiro.	A. C. DaMotta	Rio de Janeiro
R. Young	Prince Albert	Scotland	John Garrick	Edinburgh
E. Mitchell	Sintaluta	Sth. Australia.	M. C. Moore	Adelaide
J. C. Carter	Outlook	South Carolina.	J. E. Hart	York
F. C. Wilson	Regina	South Dakota	C. H. Allen	Colman
J. McGregor	Saskatoon	Tennessee	B. T. Dawkins	Memphis
A. G. McLean	Raymore	Texas.	A. J. Gilchrist	Jacksonville
F. A. Dunk	Ft. Qu'Appelle	Utah.	N. R. Vote	Salt Lake City
		Vermont	J. C. Thomas	Orwell
C. M. Wilson	Regina	Victoria	R. G. Ball	Melbourne
H. Brodie	Moose Jaw	Virginia	J. L. Brown	Lynchburg
A. O. Brooks	Abernethy	Washington.	J. M. Roberts	Tacoma
E. C. Bird	Regina	West Australia.	Ven. Arch. Moore	Perth
F. B. O'Neil	Langham	West Virginia	T. G. Strickler	Ellenboro
F. M. Hodson	Rosthern	Wisconsin	C. Kummer	Sheboygan

GRAND SECRETARIES

Alabama	Guy T. Smith	Montgomery
Alberta	J. H. W. S. Kemmis	Calgary
Arizona	H. A. Drachman.	Tucson
Arkansas	W. A. Thomas	Little Rock
British Columbia	W. A. DeWolf-Smith	New Westminster
California	John Whicher	San Francisco
Canada in Ontario	E. G. Dixon.	Hamilton
Chile	A. E. Palmar	Casilla No. 2867, Santiago
Colorado	C. A. Patton	Denver
Connecticut	Winthrop Buck	Hartford
Cuba	J. F. Castellanos	La Habana, 72
Delaware	J. F. Robinson	Wilmington
District of Columbia	J. Claude Keiper	Washington
England	P. Colville Smith	London, W.C. 2
Florida	J. S. B. Moyer	Jacksonville
France	G. F. Beaumont	Paris, Rue de Rochechouart
Georgia	F. F. Baker	Macon
Guatemala	Dr. Jose Maria Lima.	Guatemala
Idaho	C. F. Pike.	Boise
Illinois	Richard C. Davenport.	Harrisburg
Indiana	W. H. Swintz	Indianapolis
Iowa	Charles C. Hunt	Cedar Rapids
Ireland	H. C. Shellard	Dublin
Kansas	E. F. Strain	Topeka
Kentucky	Alpheus E. Orton	Louisville
Lessing of Three Rings	Ernst Klatscher	Prague
Louisiana	D. P. Laguens	New Orleans
Maine	C. E. Leach	Portland
Manitoba	J. H. G. Russell	Winnipeg
Maryland	Harry C. Mueller	Baltimore
Massachusetts	F. W. Hamilton	Boston
Mexico (York)	F. T. Berger.	Box 1986, Mexico City
Michigan	F. Homer Newton	Grand Rapids
Minnesota	John H. Anderson	St. Paul
Mississippi	E. L. Faucette	Meridian
Missouri	Arthur Mather	St. Louis
Montana	L. T. Hauberg.	Helena

Nebraska	L. E. Smith	Omaha
Nevada	Robt. H. Parker	Reno
New Brunswick	J. Twining Hartt	Saint John
New Hampshire	J. M. Dresser	Concord
New Jersey	Isaac Cherry	Trenton
New Mexico	Alpheus A. Keen	Albuquerque
New South Wales	David Cunningham	Sydney
New York	Charles H. Johnson	New York
New Zealand	H. A. Lamb	Box 562, Dunedin
North Carolina	John H. Anderson	Raleigh
North Dakota	Walter L. Stockwell	Fargo
Nova Scotia	James C. Jones	Halifax
Ohio	H. S. Johnson	Cincinnati
Oklahoma	C. A. Sturgeon	Guthrie
Oregon	D. Rufus Cheney	Portland
Paraiba	J. C. C. Nobrega	128, Joao Pessoa
Pennsylvania	John A. Perry	Philadelphia
Philippine Islands	T. M. Kalaw	Box 990, Manilla, P.I.
Porto Rico	R. Ramirez-Pabon	Rio Piedras, P.R.
Prince Edward Island	Charles M. Williams	Box 112, Charlottetown
Quebec	W. W. Williamson	Montreal
Queensland	L. P. Marks	Box 675, Brisbane
Rhode Island	H. L. McAuslan	Providence
Rio de Janeiro	D. C. Trindade	Rua do Carmo, Rio de Janeiro
Scotland	T. G. Winning	Edinburgh
South Australia		
South Carolina	O. F. Hart	Columbia
South Dakota	Geo. A. Pettigrew	Sioux Falls
Tasmania	W. H. Strutt	Hobart
Tennessee	T. E. Doss	Nashville
Texas	W. B. Pearson	Waco
Utah	Sam H. Goodwin	Salt Lake City
Vermont	A. S. Harriman	Burlington
Victoria	W. Stewart	Melbourne
Virginia	James M. Clift	Richmond
Washington	Horace W. Tyler	Tacoma
Western Australia	A. E. Jensen	Perth
West Virginia	Geo. S. Laidley	Charleston
Wisconsin	William F. Weiler	Milwaukee
Wyoming	J. M. Lowndes	Casper

LODGE DIRECTORY

Lodges marked with an (*) install on anniversary of St. John the Baptist. All other Lodges install on anniversary of St. John the Evangelist.

For location and date of meeting see District Directory following:

No.	Lodge	Master	Secretary	Dist.	No.
1	Kinistino	Alex. Watling	W. E. Bristowe		1
2	Wascana	R. W. Neely	H. Willsmer		2
3	Moose Jaw	A. S. Pipes	T. H. Pendlebury		3
4	Qu'Appelle Valley	T. W. Pepper	E. B. Saunders		4
5	Indian Head	F. O. Burrill	P. R. Boone		4
6	Qu'Appelle	P. J. Harris	A. E. Nicholls		4
7	Moosomin	A. E. Swanston	D. M. Tubman		9
8	Ashlar	W. W. Wiley	R. A. Buchan		9
9	Maple Leaf	A. F. Gilchrist	G. O. Wilson		11
10	Evening Star	H. G. A. Willcox	A. H. Patterson		9

No.	Lodge	Master	Secretary	Dist. No.
11	N.W.M.P.	S. Lexier	Robt. A. Tate	2
12	Yorkton	E. A. Crosthwaite	A. M. Ronald	10
13	Duck Lake	Frank Campbell	H. F. Anderson	1
14	*Sintaluta	J. P. Cockreill	E. B. Cumming	4
15	Amity	J. R. Davison	J. S. Campbell	8
16	Saskatchewan	F. E. Smith-Jones	E. J. Shaver	5
17	*Carlyle	C. R. Crowe	Frank Mills	8
18	Melfort	C. W. Thorne	E. E. Robinson	1
19	Battle.	H. S. May	G. L. Ward	7
20	Weyburn	A. W. Nickle	Geo. Lythgoe	6
21	*Arcola	R. H. Askin	H. M. Connor	8
22	Rosthern	G. E. Goble	E. St. G. Hodson	1
23	Britannia	Tom Johns	R. E. Stevenson	7
24	*Wolseley	Wm. Rigney	T. W. Tiller	4
25	Estevan	D. A. Wynne-Jones	W. H. S. Glew	8
26	Swift Current	W. B. Milburn	Chas. Thoreson	11
27	Alameda	H. H. Galloway	J. P. Gordon	8
28	Hanley	Geo. Gregg	W. R. Bradley	5
29	*Heward	A. J. Lackey	F. W. Crowell	8
30	*New Hope	G. S. Raney	H. I. Shaw	8
31	Ionic	C. A. Rounseville	I. A. Lawrence	7
32	Golden Rule	John Taylor	H. W. Haylor	2
33	Davidson	Geo. S. Bygrave	M. W. Coxworth	5
34	*Lang.	F. M. Perkins	M. Dick	6
35	Prince Rupert	Jas. M. Ogilvie	J. Preston	15
36	Bruce	K. H. Whitney	W. G. Robinson	6
37	Wapella	Alex. Macrone	J. C. Tocher	9
38	Ekapo	J. P. Quayle	P. G. Fellows	9
39	Boscurvis.	W. E. Allen	A. L. Moir	8
40	Rouleau	H. J. Reid	H. S. Craig	2
41	Drinkwater	Geo. B. Howard	W. L. Woodger	2
42	Caron	W. A. Forsyth.	W. F. Thomson	3
43	Ishpaming	C. M. Wilson	W. F. Rhymes	5
44	Landmark	F. W. T. Smith	J. H. Moore	7
45	*Aurora	L. L. Larson	R. W. Mercer	10
46	*Strasbourg.	H. H. Kerley	C. H. Chapin	16
47	*Cupar.	C. J. Wingfield	J. N. W. Elkington	4
48	Grayson	E. Ring	F. L. Treece	9
49	Assiniboia	Jos. H. McKay	L. G. Geernaert	2
50	*Golden Fleece	A. Gordon	J. A. Kjeldson	6
51	Touchwood	N. Newman	J. F. Rose	16
52	Border	L. A. Bunn	W. H. Coney	8
53	Nanatah	D. Warner	T. M. Vaughan	4
54	Buchanan	A. C. Jennings	P. H. Jones	10
55	Craik	J. W. McManes	E. H. Insull	2
56	*Elbow View	J. D. McNair	N. Ganes	17
57	Prairie	G. U. McRae	J. R. MacDonald	13
58	King Solomon	C. Parkinson	H. W. Pearce	10
59	Canora	D. L. Rowntree	M. Hampshire	10
60	Imperial	A. S. Hammersley	W. E. Winterton	5
61	Rocanville		J. A. Thompson	9
62	Melville	H. C. Kennedy	Chas. McCloy	10
63	Prince Albert	W. A. Cooper	W. O. L. Davies	1
64	Manitou.	P. R. Albright	H. McCreadie	16
65	Outlook	H. J. Smart	J. C. Carter	17
66	*Wynyard	G. R. Miller	H. Gorick	15
67	*Eyebrow	J. L. Charteris	C. H. Birch	3

No.	Lodge	Master	Secretary	Dist. No.
68	Govan	D. L. Dance	J. Orville Clarke	16
69	*Carrot River	J. Terndrup	R. J. Humphrey	1
70	Cypress	W. P. Adam	J. P. Whitham	11
71	Doric	J. C. MacDonald	W. C. Paterson	3
72	Corinthian.	P. R. Taylor	W. L. Whitmore	2
73	*Unity	Jas. Anderson	J. P. Fawcett	13
74	*Kilwinning	D. M. Fawell	John Davidson	13
75	*Harmony	H. R. Robertson	J. R. Shepherd	13
76	Tisdale	P. E. Wright	J. F. Wheten	1
77	*Abernethy	R. T. Motherwell	R. P. Stueck	4
78	Tugaske	Thos. King	T. W. Russell	3
79	*Foam Lake	A. T. Hart	S. F. Knobel	15
80	Connaught	P. W. Doake	W. C. McArton	9
81	Tuscan	S. Orr	C. Simpson	16
82	*Victoria	S. C. Hall	B. L. Agate	12
83	Meridian	Jas. Ferguson	A. Mitchell	13
84	*Lanigan	P. E. Lidster	Cyril Stackhouse	15
85	*Zealandia.	A. L. Poole	W. J. McIntosh	12
86	Kindersley.	J. F. W. Ross	L. P. Kincaid	12
87	*Wadena	O. Carlson	G. F. Gillespie	15
88	Briercrest	K. S. McCrea	C. M. Jaques.	3
89	Twin City.	B. W. Gillam.	J. T. McOrmond	5
90	*KerRobert.	A. K. Murdoch	J. E. Shields	13
91	*Rosetown	C. G. Marshall	E. H. Moffatt	12
92	Lodge Progress	Chas. F. Moon	Adam Turnbull	5
93	*Morse.	H. A. Henrich	V. R. Kerr	11
94	*Maryfield	R. T. Kirkpatrick.	G. T. Harding	9
95	*Evergreen			5
96	Yellow Grass	R. H. McLaughlin	P. C. Hill	6
97	Radisson	C. M. Roberts.	A. M. Scott	7
98	*Union	R. E. Wyatt.	D. Alcott	16
99	*Goose Lake			5
100	Biggar	J. G. Fox	Frank Hopkins	13
101	Acacia	J. Blankenship	A. C. Bowes	16
102	Invermay.	J. B. McKerracher	A. E. Bergstrom	15
103	Composite	D. MacPherson	J. J. Page	9
104	King Hiram	W. H. Edinburgh	C. L. Smith	2
105	Gothic	John S. Duncan	F. E. Jaenicke	13
106	St. John's	H. J. Wells		14
107	*Mortlach	T. D. Laidlaw	Wm. Clark	3
108	Long Lake	C. E. Tannahill.	J. J. Martin	16
109	Limerick	W. Johnson	H. J. Gordon	14
110	Shaunavon	D. J. Nicholson.	F. G. Horsey.	14
111	Aneroid	G. V. Card.	J. A. Coulter	14
112	*Woodrow	H. Slettevold	E. R. Ridgway	14
113	*Broderick	Robt. Reid	Jas. Gifford	17
114	*Central Butte	R. S. Hemsworth	E. M. Hemsworth	3
115	Landis	R. N. Cross	N. R. Sloan	13
116	Ceylon	E. R. Davis	P. W. Westlake.	6
117	Dundurn	C. A. Johnson	F. R. Wilson.	5
118	Paragon	H. E. Ismond	Geo. A. Weese.	13
119	Cabri	J. S. Backus	F. S. Millard	11
120	Ogema	M. L. Tallant	A. E. J. Hill	6
121	*Simpson	C. Rose	S. J. Caught	16
122	Azure	J. Russell	R. R. Blissett.	14
123	Lancer	N. C. Simpson	J. W. A. Solley	11
124	Mount Hermon	E. Housego.	Jno. Mitchell.	11

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125	Latonia	S. Rodgerson	E. H. Phillips	6
126	Cadillac	L. H. Bradley	F. L. Christiani	14
127	*Birch Hills	R. D. Dunning	W. R. A. Orton	1
128	*Meyronne	D. Dorgan	W. G. Conlan	14
129	*Mossbank	G. F. Howden	E. L. Howden	3
130	Togo	G. B. Brown	Jas. Gawley	10
131	*Dinston	Wm. Pagan	G. W. Mogan	17
132	*Conquest	E. Martin	J. E. Wilson	17
133	Philathea	F. D. Morris	H. E. Smith	16
134	Eston	T. Packer	T. E. Greer	12
135	*Elrose	B. Northcott	S. Henning	12
136	St. George	Jas. Hart	T. W. McPhail	3
137	*Tyrian	John Smith	David Marr	7
138	*Kincaid	W. Simington	Chas. P. Lee	14
139	*Riverhurst .....	.....	.....	17
140	Sceptre	J. Wilson	H. M. Gracie	11
141	Progressive	I. Richardson	D. A. Ketchin	11
142	*Leader	F. E. Priebe	G. MacDonald	11
143	*Hawarden	A. E. Gooday	E. A. Hudson	17
144	Victory	J. T. Truscott	R. W. Lindsay	5
145	*Elfros	J. Barber	A. H. Briggs	15
146	Asquith	Chas. Wheatley	F. G. Gregory	5
147	*Elstow	W. S. Spencer	J. A. Stewart	5
148	*Dunblane	J. C. Metcalf	A. H. Cook	17
149	Loverna	J. P. Findlay	W. H. Brown	13
150	*Wawota .....	.....	.....	9
151	Viscount	S. Clouston	G. M. Creed	15
152	Star City	Geo. H. Whyte	T. F. Mitchell	1
154	Banner	Jas. Bogie	W. G. Manchester	2
155	*Raymore	S. Dudley	Frank Gregory	16
156	Avonlea	F. C. Cathro	W. C. Arthur	3
157	*York	W. M. Hepton	L. Keene	10
158	Borden	S. Ferguson	O. Brand	7
160	*Cut Knife .....	.....	.....	7
161	Welwyn	J. C. Hislop	Chas. Birkbeck	9
162	Saltcoats	A. Wickend	J. W. Kennedy	10
163	*Fillmore	Edwin Foss	S. A. Cline	8
164	Milestone	C. A. Thompson	J. T. Reid	2
165	St. Luke's	D. J. MacCrimmon	D. M. McIntosh	13
166	Wakaw	W. L. Porter	J. H. Flynn	1
167	*Preeceville	W. J. T. Harvey	G. E. Hickling	10
168	*Earl Grey	D. S. Morrison	N. F. Milne	4
169	*Quill Lake	C. C. Walker	W. L. MacKenzie	15
170	*Sharon	J. Thorson	D. S. Fraser	3
171	*Shellbrook .....	.....	.....	1
172	Memorial	C. M. Nixon	W. B. C. Green	3
173	Lakeview	G. Hanson	G. H. Johnson	5
174	St. Andrews	W. E. Simonds	T. Temple	2
175	Radville	E. B. McKay	McG. Wilkinson	6
176	*Gray	R. L. Ketchen	A. E. Staton	2
177	*Verwood	C. S. Morgan	W. S. Nevill	14
178	Norquay	J. R. Barrie	E. L. Treasure	10
179	Kelvington	T. Glover	P. R. Heffern	15
180	*Herbert .....	.....	.....	11
181	*Tuberose	P. McGregor	N. J. Harper	12
182	*Lonach	W. J. McKeen	E. Mason	7
183	Nipawin	A. D. Brown	E. E. Davis	1

184	Osage	R. F. Swinton	J. W. Cooper	6
185	Loyalty	A. E. Beau	J. Birse	7
186	*Emulation	H. L. Armstrong	W. A. Silverthorn	2
187	*Lucky Lake	Wm. McLean	W. H. Ludgate	17
188	*Glenedyth	O. R. Hunt	A. H. Stevens	14
189	Herschel	O. J. Turl	L. C. Edy	12
190	*Turtleford	C. W. Bossons	W. Lally	7
191	*Macrorie	H. E. Britnell	H. A. Harvey	17
192	*Sovereign	R. Pearson	L. Douslin	17
193	*Mazenod			3
194	Vanguard	J. Dingwall	W. Murray May	14
195	Pleasantdale	C. H. Ferguson	S. B. Shields	1
196	*Lacadena	D. A. Bull	A. W. Edgar	12
197	*Chaplin	D. A. K. Parker	G. Pinder	3
198	Colfax	E. W. Ranson	Wm. Innes	6
199	Admiral	T. H. McKim	A. C. Running	14
200	Hudson Bay	John Foster	H. MacKinnon	10

DISTRICT DIRECTORY

DISTRICT NO. 1—D.D.G.M., J. T. TOMLINSON, PRINCE ALBERT.

No.	Lodge	Location	Night of Meeting
1	Kinistino	Prince Albert ..	1st Friday
13	Duck Lake	Duck Lake ..	2nd Wednesday
18	Melfort ..	Melfort ..	Tuesday on or before
22	Rosthern	Rosthern ..	3rd Wednesday
63	Prince Albert	Prince Albert ..	2nd Friday
69	Carrot River ..	Kinistino ..	Monday on or before
76	Tisdale	Tisdale ..	Wednesday on or before
127	Birch Hills	Birch Hills ..	Wednesday on or after
152	Star City ..	Star City ..	Thursday on or before
166	Wakaw ..	Wakaw ..	Thursday on or before
171	Shellbrook	Shellbrook ..	1st Tuesday
183	Nipawin ..	Nipawin ..	2nd Thursday
195	Pleasantdale ..	Pleasantdale ..	Thursday on or before

DISTRICT NO. 2—D.D.G.M., J. UPRICHARD, REGINA.

2	Wascana ..	Regina ..	1st Tuesday
11	N.W.M.P. ..	Regina ..	3rd Tuesday
32	Golden Rule ..	Pense ..	Thursday on or before
40	Rouleau ..	Rouleau ..	2nd Tuesday
41	Drinkwater ..	Drinkwater ..	Thursday on or before
49	Assiniboia ..	Regina ..	3rd Friday
55	Craik ..	Craik ..	Wednesday on or before
72	Corinthian ..	Lumsden ..	Friday on or before
104	King Hiram	Regina ..	2nd Tuesday
154	Banner ..	Regina ..	3rd Monday
164	Milestone ..	Milestone ..	1st Thursday
174	St. Andrews	Regina ..	1st Monday
176	Gray ..	Gray ..	1st Tuesday
186	Emulation ..	Regina ..	3rd Wednesday

DISTRICT NO. 3—D.D.G.M., E. MARRIOTT, BATEMAN.

3	Moose Jaw ..	Moose Jaw ..	2nd Tuesday
42	Caron ..	Caron ..	2nd Thursday
67	Eyebrow ..	Eyebrow ..	2nd Tuesday
71	Doric ..	Moose Jaw ..	1st Wednesday
78	Tugaske ..	Tugaske ..	Monday on or before
88	Briercrest ..	Briercrest ..	Wednesday on or after

No.	Lodge	Location	Night of Meeting
107	Mortlach	Mortlach	Tuesday on or before
114	Central Butte	Central Butte	3rd Monday
129	Mossbank	Mossbank	Wednesday on or before
136	St. George	Moose Jaw	3rd Friday
156	Avonlea	Avonlea	2nd Thursday
170	Sharon	Bateman	Monday on or before
172	Memorial	Moose Jaw	2nd Thursday
193	Mazenod	Mazenod	Thursday on or after
197	Chaplin	Chaplin	2nd Monday

DISTRICT No. 4—D.D.G.M., W. H. GIBSON, INDIAN HEAD.

4	Qu'Appelle Valley	Fort Qu'Appelle	Last Tuesday
5	Indian Head	Indian Head	Thursday on or before
6	Qu'Appelle	Qu'Appelle	Tuesday on or before
14	Sintaluta	Sintaluta	Tuesday on or before
24	Wolseley	Wolseley	Wednesday on or after
47	Cupar	Cupar	Tuesday on or before
53	Nanatah	Balcarres	Monday on or after
77	Abernethy	Abernethy	Friday on or before
168	Earl Grey	Earl Grey	Wednesday on or before

DISTRICT No. 5—D.D.G.M., J. R. YOUNG, SASKATOON

16	Saskatchewan	Saskatoon	1st Tuesday
28	Hanley	Hanley	Thursday on or before
33	Davidson	Davidson	Thursday on or before
43	Ishpaming	Langham	Wednesday on or before
60	Imperial	Saskatoon	2nd Wednesday
89	Twin City	Sutherland	2nd Monday
92	Lodge Progress	Saskatoon	1st Thursday
95	Evergreen	Harris	Wednesday on or before
99	Goose Lake	Delisle	Monday on or before
117	Dundurn	Dundurn	3rd Wednesday
144	Victory	Saskatoon	2nd Saturday
146	Asquith	Asquith	Friday on or before
147	Elstow	Elstow	Thursday on or before
173	Lakeview	Tessier	1st Wednesday

DISTRICT No. 6—D.D.G.M., C. E. WIGHT, LANG.

20	Weyburn	Weyburn	1st Monday
34	Lang	Lang	1st Monday
36	Bruce	Francis	1st Tuesday
50	Golden Fleece	Halbrite	Monday on or after
96	Yellow Grass	Yellow Grass	Wednesday on or before
116	Ceylon	Ceylon	2nd Wednesday
120	Ogema	Ogema	2nd Monday
125	Latomia	Weyburn	2nd Monday
175	Radville	Radville	2nd Thursday
184	Osage	Osage	Wednesday on or before
198	Colfax	Colfax	2nd Thursday

DISTRICT No. 7—D.D.G.M., JAS. THOMSON, EDAM

19	Battle	Battleford	2nd Thursday
23	Britannia	Lloydminster	Wednesday on or after
31	Ionic	North Battleford	2nd Wednesday
44	Landmark	Lashburn	Thursday on or before
97	Radisson	Radisson	Tuesday on or after
137	Tyrian	Edam	Tuesday on or before
158	Borden	Borden	Monday on or before
160	Cut Knife	Cut Knife	Thursday on or after

No.	Lodge	Location	Night of Meeting
182	Lonach.	Marsden.	Monday on or before
185	Loyalty.	Ruddell.	Thursday on or before
190	Turtleford	Turtleford.	Thursday on or after
DISTRICT No. 8—D.D.G.M., J. K. POMEROY, GAINSBOROUGH.			
15	Amity.	Carnduff.	2nd Thursday
17	Carlyle	Carlyle	3rd Monday
21	Arcola.	Arcola	2nd Thursday
25	Estevan.	Estevan.	3rd Friday
27	Alameda.	Alameda.	Tuesday on or before
29	Heward	Heward	Tuesday on or before
30	New Hope	Stoughton.	2nd Thursday
39	Boscurvis.	Oxbow	3rd Monday
52	Border.	Gainsborough	Tuesday on or before
163	Fillmore	Fillmore	2nd Thursday
DISTRICT No. 9—D.D.G.M., W. R. CLARK, WINDTHORST.			
7	Moosomin	Moosomin	Wednesday on or before
8	Ashlar	Whitewood	Tuesday on or before
10	Evening Star	Grenfell.	Tuesday on or after
37	Wapella	Wapella	Thursday on or before
38	Ekapo	Broadview.	2nd Wednesday
48	Grayson	Dubuc	Wednesday on or before
61	Rocanville	Rocanville	Monday on or before
80	Connaught	Windthorst	Tuesday on or before
94	Maryfield	Maryfield	Tuesday on or before
103	Composite	Kennedy	Thursday on or before
150	Wawota	Wawota.	Wednesday on or before
161	Welwyn	Welwyn	Tuesday on or after
DISTRICT No. 10—D.D.G.M., H. M. P. DE ROCHE, MELVILLE.			
12	Yorkton	Yorkton	1st Friday
45	Aurora	Theodore	Wednesday on or before
54	Buchanan	Buchanan	1st Tuesday
58	King Solomon	Kamsack	2nd Wednesday
59	Canora	Canora	1st Friday
62	Melville	Melville	4th Thursday
130	Togo.	Togo.	1st Wednesday
157	York.	Churchbridge	Tuesday on or before
162	Saltcoats	Saltcoats	Wednesday on or before
167	Preeceville	Preeceville	3rd Wednesday
178	Norquay	Norquay	Thursday on or before
200	Hudson Bay	Hudson Bay Jct.	1st Tuesday
DISTRICT No. 11—D.D.G.M., WM. J. MCKENZIE, LEMS福德.			
9	Maple Leaf.	Maple Creek.	Thursday on or before
26	Swift Current.	Swift Current.	1st Tuesday
70	Cypress.	Gull Lake	3rd Monday
93	Morse.	Morse.	1st Monday
119	Cabri.	Cabri.	1st Monday
123	Lancer	Lancer	Tuesday on or before
124	Mount Hermon	Pennant	Thursday on or before
140	Sceptre.	Sceptre	1st Wednesday
141	Progressive.	Tompkins.	Wednesday on or before
142	Leader	Leader	Monday on or before
180	Herbert	Herbert	3rd Tuesday
DISTRICT No. 12—D.D.G.M., O. D. JACOBS, KYLE.			
82	Victoria	Alsask.	1st Tuesday
85	Zealandia.	Zealandia.	2nd Monday

No.	Lodge	Location	Night of Meeting
86	Kindersley.....	Kindersley..	1st Thursday
91	Rosetown.....	Rosetown..	3rd Tuesday
134	Eston.....	Eston	4th Tuesday
135	Elrose.....	Elrose.....	Monday on or before
181	Tuberoose.....	Tuberoose..	Thursday on or after
189	Herschel	Herschel	1st Monday
196	Lacadena.....	Lacadena.....	2nd Tuesday
DISTRICT No. 13—D.D.G.M., H. M. EARLE, DRUID.			
57	Prairie.....	Wilkie.....	3rd Tuesday
73	Unity	Unity	2nd Wednesday
74	Kilwinning	Adanac	Thursday on or before
75	Harmony	Perdue	Thursday on or before
83	Meridian.....	Macklin	Wednesday on or before
90	Kerrobot	Kerrobot	Monday on or before
100	Biggar.....	Biggar	2nd Tuesday
105	Gothic	Luseland	Monday on or after
115	Landis	Landis	Wednesday on or before
118	Paragon	Kelfield	1st Tuesday
149	Loverna	Loverna	1st Monday
165	St. Luke's.....	Plenty	Tuesday on or before
DISTRICT No. 14—D.D.G.M., J. R. PILSON, VANGUARD.			
106	St. John's.....	Assiniboia.....	1st Thursday
109	Limerick	Limerick	Tuesday on or before
110	Shaunavon	Shaunavon	2nd Wednesday
111	Aneroid	Aneroid	2nd Thursday
112	Woodrow	Woodrow	1st Monday
122	Azure	Eastend	Thursday on or before
126	Cadillac	Cadillac	3rd Wednesday
128	Meyronne	Meyronne.....	2nd Tuesday
138	Kincaid	Kincaid	1st Thursday
177	Verwood	Verwood	2nd Wednesday
188	Glenedyth.....	Climax	2nd Tuesday
194	Vanguard	Vanguard	3rd Monday
199	Admiral	Admiral	1st Wednesday
DISTRICT No. 15—D.D.G.M., J. E. PARKINSON, MARGO.			
35	Prince Rupert	Humboldt	2nd Friday
66	Wynyard	Wynyard	2nd Tuesday
79	Foam Lake	Foam Lake.....	1st Wednesday
84	Lanigan	Lanigan	2nd Thursday
87	Wadena	Wadena	Monday on or before
102	Invermay	Invermay	Tuesday on or before
145	Elfros	Elfros	Wednesday on or before
151	Viscount	Viscount	1st Tuesday
169	Quill Lake.....	Quill Lake.....	1st Tuesday
179	Kelvington	Kelvington.....	Thursday on or before
DISTRICT No. 16—D.D.G.M., J. NOTTINGHAM, RAYMORE.			
46	Strasbourg.....	Strasbourg.....	Monday on or before
51	Touchwood.....	Punnichy.....	2nd Tuesday
64	Manitou	Watrous.....	1st Thursday
68	Govan.....	Govan	1st Tuesday
81	Tuscan.....	Semans.....	Wednesday on or after
98	Union.....	Kelliher	3rd Monday
101	Acacia.....	Imperial.	1st Thursday
108	Long Lake	Liberty	Thursday on or before
121	Simpson	Simpson	Wednesday on or before

No.	Lodge	Location	Night of Meeting
133	Philathea.....	Nokomis.....	1st Thursday
155	Raymore.....	Raymore.....	2nd Monday
DISTRICT No. 17—D.D.G.M., J. V. GREER, SOVEREIGN.			
56	Elbow View.....	Elbow.....	Tuesday on or before
65	Outlook.....	Outlook.....	2nd Thursday
113	Broderick.....	Glenside.....	Thursday on or before
131	Dinston.....	Dinsmore.....	1st Wednesday
132	Conquest.....	Conquest.....	Thursday on or before
139	Riverhurst.....	Riverhurst.....	3rd Wednesday
143	Hawarden.....	Hawarden.....	Wednesday on or before
148	Dunblane.....	Dunblane.....	2nd Tuesday
187	Lucky Lake.....	Lucky Lake.....	3rd Thursday
191	Macrorie.....	Macrorie.....	Monday on or before
192	Sovereign.....	Sovereign.....	1st Tuesday

SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT MEETINGS FOR 1936

Dist. No.	Place of Meeting	Date
8	Estevan.....	Monday, July 13th
6	Weyburn.....	Tuesday, July 14th
14	Kincaid.....	Wednesday, July 15th
17	Lucky Lake.....	Thursday, July 16th
11	Swift Current.....	Monday, July 20th
4	Fort Qu'Appelle.....	Tuesday, July 21st
15	Lanigan.....	Thursday, July 23rd
16	Govan.....	Monday, July 27th
7	N. Battleford (afternoon).....	Tuesday, July 28th
	Battleford evening	
13	Macklin.....	Wednesday, July 29th
12	Rosetown.....	Thursday, July 30th
9	Whitewood.....	Monday, September 28th
2	Regina.....	Tuesday, September 29th
3	Moose Jaw.....	Thursday, October 1st
1	Prince Albert.....	Monday, October 5th
5	Saskatoon.....	Tuesday, October 6th
10	Yorkton.....	Wednesday, October 21st

The programme for the meetings was as follows:

FIRST SESSION—beginning at 2.30 p.m.

1. Opening: Reception G.L. Officers; Reading Minutes.
2. Reading Report of D.D.G.M. for 1935-36.
3. Discussion on (a) How to make the Lodge meetings interesting.
(b) The relation of the Constituent Lodge to Grand Lodge.
4. Consideration of a Mason's attitude (a) Towards a Non-Mason
(How far can he go in discussing Masonry with him.) (b) Towards
community matters. (c) Towards the world in general.
5. Exemplification of opening and closing ceremonies and parts of the
First Degree.
6. Question Box: Questions placed in the Box re ceremonial work, the
Constitution, etc., will be answered at the evening session.
7. Board of Installed Masters.

SECOND SESSION—beginning promptly at 7.30 p.m.

8. Selection of D.D.G.M.
9. Answers to questions.
10. Short paper, (15 minutes) on "Masonry and the Church".
11. Addresses: (a) Appointed Grand Lodge Officer; (b) Grand Master.
12. Closing.

HONOURARY MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF SASKATCHEWAN

Past Grand Master—

F. C. Falkenstein, Bottineau, N.D.	1927
G. Hunter, Deloraine, Man.	1930
W. Douglas, Winnipeg, Man.	1930
W. H. Wardrope, Hamilton, Ont.	1930
R. Burritt, Winnipeg, Man.	1935
M. M. Downey, Edmonton, Alta.	1935
A. J. Anderson, Toronto, Ont.	1936
H. Woods, Winnipeg, Man.	1936

Past Grand Junior Warden—

W. R. Trench, Kelowna, B.C.	1927
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APPROVED RULINGS

1. Masonic Regalia cannot be worn at Balls or At Homes where admission is charged and the public admitted. Pro. 1907.
2. In balloting the ballot box shall be placed on the Altar with an equal number of black and white balls, and either each member in order of rank proceeding to the Altar and casting his ballot, or members, beginning on the left of the W.M. doing so in rotation. Pro. 1911, 1932.
3. When addressing the W.M. the term to be used is W.M. Pro. 1911.
4. When a known Brother approaches the tyled door of a Lodge and desires to enter, the knocks of the Degree in which the Lodge at the time may be working are to be given by the Tyler. In the event of a Cowan approaching a succession of knocks is to be given. Pro. 1911 and 1915.
5. The lecture and charge are integral parts of each Degree and must be given before a candidate is advanced. Pro. 1911.
6. The position of a candidate while being examined must be W. of the Altar facing E. Pro. 1911.
7. The charge may be given by any well skilled Brother. If below the rank of an I.M. he shall stand in front of the dais in the E. facing the candidate who shall be W. of the Altar. Pro. 1911.
8. No Brother shall vouch for a visitor unless he has sat with him in open Lodge. Pro. 1911.
9. The Tyler's oath is to be given after the examination by the B. of T. and the production of documentary evidence which must be demanded in every case. The absence of documentary evidence shall not necessarily exclude a visitor. Pro. 1911 and 1915.
10. The W.M. must command the S.W. to collect the P.G. and P.W. of the Degree, but the S.W., if satisfied, may vouch for all present, whereupon the collection may be dispensed with by the W.M. Pro. 1911.

11. When collecting the P.G. and P.W. of a Degree, in the event of a Brother not being in possession of same, the D. shall report to the S.W. saying: "Brother S.W. the W. is lost," who shall report to the W.M.; whereupon, if satisfied as to the Brother, the W.M. may call him to the E. and communicate the lost W. Pro. 1911.
12. No charts shall be displayed in the Lodge Room other than that of the Degree being conferred. Pro. 1911.
13. The lesser lights shall be used in all Degrees, except when otherwise called for in the work. Pro. 1911.
14. In calling the Lodge from L. to R. or vice versa, the J.W. must see that all Brethren rise to receive the Command of the W.M., even to the extent of calling up the Lodge. Pro. 1911.
15. The M. may exercise his discretion as to whether the ballot box shall be placed upon the Altar for examination by the Brethren after a ballot has been taken. Pro. 1912.
16. A candidate who cannot answer the first three questions in Masonry satisfactorily cannot be made a Mason. Pro. 1912.
17. An affiliated P.M. from another Jurisdiction is eligible for election to the Master's chair. Pro. 1914.
18. A Brother who has not been invested as Warden ranks as a M.M., and is not eligible for election to the Master's chair. Pro. 1914.
19. An affiliated Brother, on producing documentary evidence that he has served a full Masonic year as Warden in another Jurisdiction, is eligible for election to the Master's chair. Pro. 1915.
20. A Certificate of Standing is a Certificate issued to a Brother for the purpose of joining a designated Lodge, and must not be confounded with a receipt for dues. Pro. 1915.
21. The passing of the collection plate around the Lodge when the candidate is in the N.E. angle is not permissible. Pro. 1916.
22. A Committee of P. M's. to meet with applicants before they are given application forms is permissible. Pro. 1916.
23. It is unconstitutional to receive petitions or reports of committees on applicants at Emergent meetings. Pro. 1916.
24. It is unconstitutional to initiate a candidate at an Emergent meeting on the same date as the regular meeting at which the candidate was balloted on. Pro. 1916.
25. It is not permissible for a Brother from a Grand Lodge not recognized by this Grand Lodge to either visit or affiliate with a Lodge in this Jurisdiction. Pro. 1917.
26. The Second Degree Working Tools shall be presented in full form as contained in the Installation Ceremony. Pro. 1918.
27. It is the duty of a subordinate Lodge to try a Brother and only in very exceptional cases can a Commission be appointed by the Grand Master. Pro. 1918.
28. If an applicant can comply with the requirements of the Ceremonials even by the aid of artificial limbs, and is in a physical condition to earn a living, and not likely to become a charge upon the Fraternity, and if his moral character is all that a Mason's should be, his petition can be entertained on obtaining a Special Dispensation from G.L. Pro. 1918.
29. The home of a soldier prior to his enlistment is the only home recognized during the time he is in uniform without regard to the various places he may be stationed in while on Military Service. Pro. 1919.
30. A candidate for initiation must have resided the six months immediately previous to the date of his Petition within the Jurisdiction of the Lodge to which he seeks admission. Pro. 1919.

31. A Lodge can hold a Masonic Funeral Service for a deceased Brother when another society attends the same service in regalia, but the service must, in all respects, be conducted exclusively by the Lodge as if none but Masons were in attendance. A Masonic Lodge should not take part in Funeral Services when conducted by any other organization. Whenever civic societies, the Military or other organizations may constitute a part of the Funeral Procession or otherwise unite with the assembly, the body of the deceased must be in charge of the Lodge officiating. Pro. 1920.
32. An increase or reduction in the fees of a Lodge by virtue of an amendment to its By-Laws, shall become effective from the date such amendment is passed, subject to the approval of the Grand Master; any increase or reduction in the annual dues of a Lodge by virtue of an amendment to its By-laws shall become effective from June 24th or December 27th next following the date upon which such amendment is passed, subject to the approval of the Grand Master. Pro. 1920.
33. Candidates in the First Degree must be prepared and received individually and a candidate must not be received from a preparation room in which other candidates are waiting, but after they have been presented by the Senior Warden and have answered singly the questions addressed to them by the Worshipful Master, they may, at the discretion of the Worshipful Master, thereafter be taken collectively. Candidates in the Third Degree may be taken collectively to the end of the obligation, but if taken collectively, they must then retire to the preparation room to be readmitted and raised singly, after which they may again be taken collectively. Pro. 1920.
34. A Brother who has affiliated with a Lodge in this Jurisdiction on a Certificate of Standing from a Lodge in another Jurisdiction shall not be given a demit on resigning therefrom, but his resignation shall be accepted under the conditions governing the granting of a demit, and such resignation shall be recorded in the minute book and historical register. Pro. 1920.
35. In the case of a candidate who is a conscientious objector to our form of obligation, as being contrary to his religious belief, the Committee on Jurisprudence could not concur in a ruling permitting a departure from the Ancient Usage extant in the form of obligation as it has come down to us through the Masonic centuries. Pro. 1920, page 105.
36. A Lodge holding an At Home of a purely Masonic nature, and to which the public are not invited, is justified in making application for a dispensation to wear regalia, although it levies a charge on the members attending same. Pro. 1921.
37. The Constitution does not provide for nominations either oral or written for Officers in Constituent Lodges; all elections except when otherwise provided for in the Constitution shall be by written ballot without nomination. Pro. 1923.
38. A man having received only part of his obligation and not having been brought to light is not a Mason. Pro. 1924.
39. The residence of a person employed and residing in unorganized territory is only temporary and his application may be received by the Lodge nearest his permanent home address. Pro. 1924.
40. The furnishings, etc., of a Lodge room cannot be used to the exclusion of a Chart to illustrate a Warden's lecture. The Tracing Board of the Degree must be used. Pro. 1924.
41. Where the Constitution and the By-laws of a Lodge conflict the Constitution governs and overrules the By-laws. Pro. 1926.
42. A Brother elected and installed as Warden, even though he has not put in attendance during the term, is eligible for election to

- the Master's chair if the members of the Lodge made no protest to his holding the office of Warden and he did not resign. Pro. 1926.
43. Matters relating to a Chapter of the Eastern Star are not Masonic business and must not be brought before a Lodge as such. Pro. 1926.
 44. All Lodge notices must be mailed in sealed envelopes. Pro. 1926.
 45. Lodges have not the power to fix sectional boundaries by agreement but must be governed as to distance between Lodges by a direct line. Pro. 1926.
 46. A Master cannot close his Lodge in any Degree in short form. He may suspend labour in one Degree and resume in another lower Degree for the purpose of doing work, but he must resume labour in the original Degree and close in full form. Pro. 1927.
 47. An application cannot be considered from an applicant who is deaf. Pro. 1927.
 48. No motion to rescind a resolution entered upon the minutes and regularly passed at a previous regular meeting shall be received or put through a Lodge until a notice of intention to introduce such motion to rescind shall have been made at a previous meeting. This, however, does not prevent a Lodge reconsidering, at the same meeting, a motion which they have passed without due consideration, provided that the mover and seconder of the motion to reconsider voted with the majority in the first instance. Pro. 1927.
 49. A petition from a member of a clandestine Lodge cannot be entertained. Pro. 1927.
 50. The names of applicants for initiation and affiliation, notwithstanding that they appear on the monthly joint notice sent out by all the Lodges of a city to their membership, must appear on the individual Lodge notice. Pro. 1927.
 51. As Section 211, sub-sec. 14, states that the regular meeting of a Lodge is the one only meeting in each month at which business can be done, and Section 117 states that the day and hour of the regular meeting shall be specified in the Lodge By-laws, the Anniversaries of the Saints John cannot be considered as regular meetings of any Lodge. They are Festive Meetings and must always be so regarded. Pro. 1927.
 52. The Lodge seal must be affixed to all letters emanating from the Secretary's office. Pro. 1927.
 53. Lodge funds should be used for Masonic purposes, and while there may be an occasional application for assistance, such as a national calamity, which should not be passed over, Lodges in this Jurisdiction should make use of their funds for purely Masonic purposes. This ruling means exactly what it says and is as it is to protect Lodges against requests from other organizations. Masonic charity can be well exercised through Masonic channels. Pro. 1927 and 1928.
 54. Where the By-laws of a Lodge provide for payment of dues in advance, dues for the current year are payable at the beginning of the year, and at the end of such year, the dues having remained unpaid for twelve months, a Brother is liable to suspension by proper procedure for that purpose. Pro. 1927.
 55. A member of a Character Committee being in possession of information which he would not be justified in disclosing to anyone, not even to other members of the Committee, might refuse to sign a favourable report on his honour as a member of the Committee and as a Mason and this should be considered sufficient. Pro. 1928.
 56. Premises which have been dedicated to Masonry should not be used for any other purpose. If the premises have not been so dedicated, the Lodge may, in a proper case, rent to some other organiza-

- tion. The best interests of the Craft should, however, be carefully considered and no action should be taken which might lead to the conclusion that the Masonic Order is entangled with any other society or organization. Pro. 1928.
57. Should the name of an applicant for initiation not appear on the notice for the meeting at which he was balloted on the proceedings in the case would be null and void and it would be necessary for the applicant's name to appear on the notice calling the next regular meeting and for the Lodge to again ballot on the application. Pro. 1928.
 58. A Lodge is not warranted in demanding payment of other sums than dues as a condition for the granting of a demit. Pro. 1928.
 59. No residence qualifications are required by the Constitution for applications for affiliation. The statement on the application form "I removed to the Province of Saskatchewan in" is contained in the form to protect us in Saskatchewan from men being initiated in other Jurisdictions who have acquired residence qualifications in this Province. Pro. 1928.
 60. If a Master who occupied the chair for any period during the year resigns and another Master is elected for the balance of the year, neither the Master who vacates nor the one who is chosen to take his place can comply with the requirements of Section 211, sub-sec. 3, and are not entitled to Past Master's rank. Pro. 1928.
 61. An amendment to the By-laws of a Lodge adding to the clause governing regular meetings, excepting certain months of the year, is contrary to the spirit of their Charter, nor can any Lodge discontinue meetings by resolution of the Lodge but the W.M. of a Lodge is within his rights to declare that no meeting shall be held in any month if for good reasons he considers it inadvisable. Pro. 1929 and 1933.
 62. The name of the Lodge or of Freemasonry must not be associated officially in any way with an insurance club. If the members want to form such a club they must do it as individuals and not as a Lodge. Pro. 1929.
 63. The Corner Stone of a Masonic Temple must be placed in the North East corner of the building; the facing of the building makes no difference with regard to the position of the stone. Pro. 1929.
 64. If a Brother suspended for non-payment of dues applies for reinstatement, sending the amount of his arrears along with his application, and the application for reinstatement is rejected, the Lodge must return the amount sent by him. Pro. 1929.
 65. It is the primary duty of the Tyler to tyle the Lodge when it is in session, and at no time is he entitled to enter the Lodge except at the request of the W.M. in conformity with Sec. 157 of the Constitution. Pro. 1930.
 66. A Second or Third Degree may be conferred at any time during the twenty-eighth day after the conferring of the previous degree, provided the necessary qualifications as to proficiency have been complied with. Pro. 1930.
 67. In the absence of a qualifying explanation in the Constitution as to method, "vote" means a show of hands. Pro. 1930.
 68. All who enter the Lodge must give the P.G. and P.W. of the degree, excepting the Grand Master or the D.D.G.M. on his official visit. Pro. 1930.
 69. When reporting the result of a ballot any wording other than "favourable" or "unfavourable" must not be used. Pro. 1932.

70. The pall-bearers at a Masonic funeral should be Masons and unless the family have expressed a wish to have a non-Mason act as pall-bearer the W.M., after consulting with them, should select from members of the Craft. Pro. 1932.
71. It is unconstitutional to initiate a candidate for other than the full amount of the fee as provided by the By-laws of the Lodge. Pro. 1932.
72. Buildings should not be dedicated to Masonic purposes until such time as the premises are free from encumbrances. Pro. 1932.
73. No motion for which Notice of Motion is required shall be amended or altered upon the return date of the Notice of Motion, and must be dealt with in its original form as set out in the Notice of Motion unless the Lodge shall see fit to defer consideration of the matter until notice of a proposed amendment shall be given in the same manner as the original Notice of Motion was given. Pro. 1934.
74. No Constituent Lodge shall confer any Degree in other than the work permitted under the Charter of the Lodge. Pro. 1936.

MASONIC EDUCATION

The Committee on Masonic Education issued the following course of study and monthly outlines for the year 1936-37.
Brethren:

For the past three years we have been making a study of the First, Second and Third degrees of Freemasonry. This year we have decided on a more varied programme.

We bespeak the whole hearted support of the Worshipful Masters and Wardens of our Constituent Lodges in putting this programme over. Make it an unalterable rule that at least twenty minutes shall be devoted to this work at every meeting.

Yours fraternally,

DOUGLAS FRASER, Chairman.

PROGRAMME 1936-37.

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MASONRY AND CITIZENSHIP.

By M.W. Bro. W. M. Martin.

There is no institution that teaches more plainly the fundamental principles of Citizenship than Freemasonry; its ritual, its ceremonies, its symbols, its obligations and its charges abound with the Virtues which characterize a good citizen. The charge with respect to a Mason's duty to "*the Civil Magistrate, Supreme and Subordinate*" should be carefully read and understood by every member of the Craft. It is in part as follows:

"A Mason is a peaceful subject to the civil powers wherever he resides and works and is never to be concerned in plots and conspiracies against the peace and welfare of the Nation nor to behave undutifully to inferior magistrates. He is cheerfully to conform to every lawful authority, to uphold on every occasion the interest of the Community and zealously promote the prosperity of his own Country—Craftsmen are bound by peculiar ties to promote peace, cultivate harmony and live in accord and brotherly love."

No words could be plainer than these: *A Mason is a peaceful subject, a law abiding citizen*: he is respectful to the civil powers both supreme and subordinate. This does not mean that as a citizen he must always agree with everything that is done by a Government or Legislature for the time being in control nor does it mean that he must not indulge in fair criticism of Governmental Acts or advocate change in our system of Government or in our economic system: but when as a citizen he advocates change, he must seek to bring about the changes he desires by the peaceful methods approved of in a democracy and not by revolution. It should not be forgotten that in a democracy the people can, by means of a majority, have any policies, which they desire enacted into law, but these changes must come, after the fullest discussion, by peaceful means, and the application of force should never be suggested by anyone worthy of the name of citizen. A democracy is characterized by freedom of speech, freedom of thought, and freedom of action by all the people: it believes in the fullest inquiry into things as they are, in the most careful examination of existing theories and institutions and in the widest possible discussion of every suggestion made for the improvement of Governmental institutions and the condition of mankind. Our own constitutional history is full of instances of issues, once violently debated, but which were ultimately settled by agreement or by a minority falling in line with the predominant view.

On account of the many theories which are today being advanced by various groups for the cure of economic ills, the subject of what is proper for discussion in a Lodge is assuming greater importance. Some of our members do not appear to have an accurate appreciation of the Ancient Charges, and even some Grand Jurisdictions advocate the discussion of subjects in Lodge Rooms with an apparent disregard for the Ancient Landmarks. A Mason, in fulfilling his duty as a citizen, cannot be prevented, any more than any other citizen, from presenting and advocating his views for the advancement of his fellow citizens or the welfare of his country or the betterment of the human order provided he does so within the limits of the law: but no Masonic Lodge can be used for the purpose of advocating or combatting any political theories. Subjects discussed and addresses given in lodges should be confined strictly to matters Masonic: the dignified ritual of the Craft is the only authorized expression of its ideals and aspirations and there are so many matters of Masonic interest that it is entirely unnecessary to introduce outside material: a lodge should not assume the character of an ordinary literary or debating society.

The Ancient Charges from the very earliest times of which there is any record prohibit the promoting or opposing of political programmes in the lodges—we are instructed that:

"Masonry is the centre of union between good men and true and the happy means of reconciling friendships amongst those who must otherwise have remained at a perpetual distance." and

"No private piques and quarrels must be brought within the door of the lodge, far less any quarrels about religion or national or state policy, we being only as Masons of the Universal Religion above mentioned: We are also of all nations, tongues, kindreds, and languages and are

resolved against all politics as what never yet conduced to the welfare of the Lodge nor ever will."

When subjects not strictly Masonic are permitted in a Lodge controversy is bound to arise. The discussion of any subject political or religious is contrary to all Masonic precedent. The institution must not be embroiled in political controversy: if it does become so involved it will find itself in a similar plight to that in which several European Grand Lodges find themselves today: in some countries Grand Lodges have been virtually wiped out and the consensus of opinion is that they would not be in their present position if they had not entered the political field. In South America there is trouble in some Grand Lodges due to division on the subjects of politics and religion and very recently the Grand Lodge of New York severed fraternal relations with the Grand Lodges at Cartagena and Bogota in Columbia and assigned as the reason "*unhappy conditions which have disrupted these Grand Lodges due to politics and religion.*"

The duty of the Lodges is to forcibly, plainly, and regularly emphasize the principles and ideals upon which the Craft is founded. Joseph Fort Newton, one of the greatest Masonic writers, says:

"Freemasonry in its organized capacity must not formulate or promote any definite social or political programmes but will create and cultivate, in its members, the will and desire to champion any cause which endeavours intelligently to build a better human order."

The duty of the Mason is to take the teachings of the Craft and apply them in his home, in his business, and in his public activities in his community: he must master the fundamentals of Masonry and put them into practice as a citizen. If he does he will be interested and active in all that tends to the upbuilding and benefit of the Community in which he resides and will exercise a steady and moderating influence upon his fellow men.

THE CARDINAL VIRTUES.

By V.W. Bro. W. L. Clink.

The word "Cardinal" comes from the Latin word "Cardia", the heart. Hence the cardinal virtues are inseparably united with the heart and are only virtues when they are expressions of a heart that is sound. The word means also fundamental; therefore they are virtues which are essential to the foundation upon which Freemasonry is built. In the E. A. charge they are referred to individually implying that they are indispensable to the foundation of the temple that *each of us* is erecting; without them it would be built upon the sands.

These virtues are referred to in the first degree twice, once in the lecture and once in the charge, but in the lecture Prudence is placed third, while in the charge it is named first. There may be a reason for the different order if we follow it out. Is it that the lecture refers to the Lodge, the charge to the individual, that Temperance is of fundamental importance in the Lodge, and that Prudence takes its place as of first importance to the individual outside the Lodge? Be this as it may, both orders unite in that they culminate in Justice.

Masonry is a progressive science. In all the great Masonic sequences there is a natural development from the lesser to the greater, and they are always cumulative; the last comprehending the whole. We have: Faith, Hope, and Charity; Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth; Truth, Honour, and Virtue; Secrecy, Fidelity, and Obedience, and many others. In other words with a true Mason, a virtue captured, never is lost but grows into a still nobler virtue.

To me the natural sequence is that found in the charge. The development is from the domestic to the public but ever with relation to the individual. The balanced clauses flow with the rhythm of poetry or that of a translation of one of the old Hebrew Classics. "Let Prudence direct you, Temperance chasten you, Fortitude support you, and Justice be the guide of all your actions."

PRUDENCE: the basis of domestic virtues, the true guide to human understanding—consists in judging and determining with propriety what is to be said or done upon all occasions, what dangers we should endeavour to avoid and how to act in all our difficulties.

TEMPERANCE: real moderation—naturally follows Prudence and of necessity is based upon it. Temperance, produced by Prudence, will never by yielding to the unrestrained call of appetite, permit reason and judgment to lose their seats.

FORTITUDE: that virtue which makes Prudence and Temperance permanent, but if it does not include the two former and is not based on them, then it no longer is a virtue but is sheer stubbornness.

JUSTICE: admittedly from its position in both sequences, the culminating virtue. Justice which is not Prudent, Temperate, and Constant, is not evenly administered and is not fundamental justice. Justice builds on the foundation of the preceding virtues and comprehends the whole.

Is this then the concluding lesson of this divine sequence? The "Charge" suggests not. Still referring to the domestic and public virtues it continues by saying: "and be especially careful to maintain in their fullest splendor those truly Masonic Ornaments, benevolence and charity." Here again we have a sequence, benevolence and charity—not equivalent, charity or love being the greater, comprehending the whole, based on benevolence but going far beyond it.

I believe that Justice and Love are synonymous. Justice which is not merciful, which is not tempered by love for the offender is not Justice. On the other hand Love which is not Just, which advances the interest of its object at the expense of others, which considers only the sinner and not those sinned against, is not Love.

Let us revert to the original sequence as given in the lecture. There is a symbolism in it which conveys the same lesson. "The border or skirting is an emblem full of hope to those who trust as all . . . profess to do in the G.A.O.T.U." "Pendent to the four corners of the Lodge are four tassels, which represent the four cardinal virtues." The tracing board was originally traced on the floor in sand or dust and later with chalk by the E.A., who drew or placed a coiled cord around the border or skirting with tassels where it came to the corners. The cord was of black and white strands which in its necessary twining caused it to alternate dark and light. On the present E.A. tracing board this old cord is now the border or skirting, the black and white triangles joining the tassels and being the sole excuse for the tassels which symbolise our subject. Mackey in his Encyclopedia of Freemasonry says: "The tessellated border, as it is called, is a cord, decorated with tassels—and it symbolises the bond of love, the mystic tie—which binds the Craft wheresoever dispersed into one band of brotherhood."

Again we find this sequence culminates in love, which comprehends the whole, joins the cardinal virtues, supports them, and is the sole excuse for their existence. "Love suffereth long, and is kind; Love envieth not; Love vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, doth not behave itself unseemly, Seeketh not her own, Is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil; rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth; beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. Love never faileth." What a multitude of mistakes the practice of these cardinal virtues would enable us to avoid.

Questions for discussion: Who named the Cardinal Virtues long ago? Is the list open to criticism? Why are these virtues depicted symbolically at the four corners of the Lodge? Why are they pendent? What kind of a structure is each individual Mason engaged in building?

Subject for Debate: Resolved that "Justice" and "Love" are necessarily synonymous.

MASONRY, WHAT IT IS AND WHAT IT IS NOT

by R.W. Bro. H. M. Underhill.

Masonic history reveals that the progress of the Craft has been held up and in some cases entirely disorganized or its nature changed because its leaders have not understood what Freemasonry was and what it was not. It is, therefore, important that every member of the Order should have a reasonable understanding of Masonry so that he might better do his part in furthering Masonry's great purposes. We of the present generation have inherited Masonry from the generations gone before and it is our duty to pass it on to the generations to follow lovingly preserved and radiant with proper use.

If you will reflect on your main reason for joining Freemasonry you will have taken your first step to an understanding of this subject. The story is simple and yet it is basic. You came to Masonry of your own free will and accord representing yourself to be a man, free born, of mature age and under the tongue of good report. You further represented that you believed in a S.B., that He had revealed His will to man and that in all cases of difficulty and danger you placed your trust in Him. Masonry asked you why you wanted to join the Order and you declared it was a general desire for knowledge and a sincere wish to make yourself more serviceable to your fellow creatures. You were seeking Light. You wanted to be taught and you looked to Masonry to be your teacher. This was indeed a worthy purpose. So worthy that Masonry, in effect, said to you, "Brother come in. You have divined the very purpose of Masonry. We will assist you and may the M.H. prosper our united endeavours. We assure you that there is nothing in Masonry inconsistent with your social, moral or religious duties, but we expect you to respect the law and to be loyal to our country." Thus, you see, that without any question of doubt, your first official connection with Masonry was on a definite understanding that you were a student and that Masonry was to be your teacher.

Your next step towards a greater understanding of Freemasonry came from your appreciation of Masonic fellowship. As you look back over the years and think of the fellowship with, not only members of your own lodge, but of other lodges in different parts of the world, you realize that each one came to Masonry as you did, seeking a Master Teacher in order that greater service could be rendered to mankind. Then, your wonder grew because you understood that all these Brethren the wide world over represented different races, nationalities, religions and creeds and yet together in Masonry upon a common ground you were united in the common search, in order, peace, and harmony. You were learning, how man could live with man, in spite of all the differences, by some peculiar method devised by Masonry. Thus you experienced that Masonry was your teacher, the subject matter fellowship, and you, and every other member, its students.

And now your further step to a larger conception comes from your understanding that Masonry is the custodian by inheritance, from the ancient mysteries and the operative art, of a peculiar system of morality, arranged in Degrees for the gradual elucidation of its mysteries and that this system from time immemorial has and must continue to have as a

part thereof the V.O.T.S.L., the symbolism of the operative art, the division into the three Degrees of E.A., F.C., and M.M., the Legend of the Third Degree, certain rites and allegories pertaining to and forming a part of the system and other ancient landmarks, customs and usages of the Craft. You remember that harmony is essential, that discord has no place in Masonry and that the discussion of religion and politics are expressly excluded. In all this you see a picture of the complete system of symbolism made up of essential parts whereby if but one landmark is taken therefrom, what is left ceases to be Masonry. Thus, you find that Masonry is a teacher that has a well defined method of teaching which eliminates the privilege of adding to Masonry, taking from Masonry or changing its methods of carrying out its great purposes.

You are now prepared to appreciate why Masonic writers and Leaders of the Craft declare and rule that certain things are not Masonry. For example, the following: Masonry is not a religion, although its teachings have a religious basis. Masonry has no intention of taking the place of any religion or church, but on the contrary, is their hand maiden. "Freemasonry is not a benefit society from which in return for certain fees, you get certain benefits." (Masonic Record—July, 1935.) "The danger is, that Freemasonry should be regarded as an Insurance Agency for the benefit of distressed Masons in sickness or old age; also, in some cases for their off-spring, even to the second and third generation." (Masonic Record—January, 1936.) Masonry is not a Literary Society, Debating Club, Service Club, Board of Trade, Political or International Peace Association, or League of Nations.

Finally, remember again that Masonry is a way of life and that you and all its other members are students seeking to learn of the science and art of living according to the Will of the M.H. so that you might become ever better qualified to perform your duty to God, your neighbour and yourself; that it is your duty to apply these teachings in your own life, in your home, the society in which you live and the institutions that you may be connected with. In other words, your practice of the principles taught by Masonry is an individual responsibility which you cannot evade, and neither your Lodge nor Grand Lodge can enter into your fields of activity, you are responsible for your failure.

Questions for Discussion: What is it to be a student of Freemasonry? How did you set out to study Masonry? Is Masonry worth the time and trouble of study, real study? Has the fellowship of the Masonic Lodge been a help to you since you became a member of the Fraternity? Has this fellowship caused you to change your opinion of any of your fellow members? Has your own mind been broadened by such fellowship? Have the words "Master Mason" and "Brother" used Masonically any added significance to you? What is the mission of Masonry?

Subject for Debate: Resolved that membership in a Masonic Lodge results in a changed attitude toward mankind.

MASONRY WITHIN AND WITHOUT THE LODGE.

By W. Bro. P. H. Gordon.

The subject of this paper is so wide that the following remarks must be considered merely as headings for discussion in lodge.

BUSINESS MANAGEMENT: One of the most serious problems the Master of a Lodge has to face is to stimulate the regular attendance of his Brethren and in this connection the conduct of Lodge business plays an important part. The Brethren complain that frequently the business meetings are marked by waste of time. This is often occasioned by the failure of the W.M. to discern the difference between important and

trifling matters. The wheat is lost in a volume of chaff. To avoid this, in the larger lodges particularly, the W.M., with his Secretary, should consider beforehand all correspondence received. That which is unimportant need not be read but its contents shortly stated; that requiring action should be dealt with promptly. The W.M. should know the requirements of the Constitution in reference to any special matters so as to ensure despatch. It is *not* necessary for the W.M. to *comment* upon all correspondence. The rules of debate should be adhered to as far as possible but the consideration of matters of merit should never be hampered by such rules. Matters on which differences of opinion are justified should always be approached by the Brethren in a spirit of goodwill and conciliation. Many different ways of promoting attendance have been suggested but, next to personal contacts of the W.M. with his Brethren, none seem to give greater results than carefully prepared programmes and well conducted meetings.

The finances should be constantly supervised by the W.M. It is the imperative duty of every Lodge to live within its income. These difficult times have proved that monetary help is not as necessary as we used to think it. There are many occasions when it is far better to share our courage than our means.

DEVELOPMENT OF FRATERNAL SPIRIT WITHIN THE LODGE: Reference has already been made to the problem of promoting regular attendance. It must be admitted that the reason some do not attend lodge is that they seem wholly lacking in the fraternal spirit. It was a mistake that they were ever admitted to Masonry. It is within the Lodge that the W.M. must perform that duty of employing and instructing his Brethren in Masonry. It must ever be borne in mind that Masonry is, in the final analysis, "a way of Life". Every Brother to honestly fulfill his obligation must have a keen desire to learn all he can of the Craft. A study of any branch of the science cannot fail to give mental stimulation. A wealth of literature about the Craft is readily available and every Brother should be urged to make himself familiar with its history and philosophy. The reason for this is obvious. Nothing binds men closer than sharing a common interest, provided it is not a selfish one. It creates a bond of sympathy and none is finer than that found in Masonry.

The lodge must always be considered the temple of Harmony and Fellowship, where the brother who has found his path beset with difficulties may receive the handclasp of true fellowship and derive courage and strength to carry him forward to brighter days. Kindly interest in each others successes and sympathy in misfortunes makes life much happier and burdens lighter. A few minutes intercourse after the close of the lodge may establish a real bond of fellowship and do much to create a deeper interest. In order that the circle of good fellowship may be enlarged beyond the brother's own Lodge the practice of inter-lodge visiting should be followed. The stimulation received by the Lodge visited reacts to the benefit of the visiting lodge in new contacts and fresh ideas.

CONDUCT WITHOUT THE LODGE: The reputation of our institution must be based on the conduct of the brethren outside the lodge. It is obvious that outsiders can have no knowledge of our acts within. It must be the wish of every good Mason that the high esteem and respect which the Craft has enjoyed through its long history shall continue unimpaired. It is our paramount duty therefore to be deeply interested in the character of those who are chosen to become members so that having absorbed the lessons of Masonry they may reflect those teachings in the field of "applied Masonry" i.e. Masonry outside the Lodge. Every member of the Craft should so order his personal life as never to bring discredit on himself, his Brethren or Masonry. But this is not enough. He must show to the world that spirit of sympathy and brotherly love

which has ever been the distinguishing mark of a Mason, not only on those occasions when we come in contact with the public as at funerals, church parades or ceremonials but in our unvarying practice individually of those virtues. By our attendance on such occasions we demonstrate our solidarity and enthusiasm for the Craft; by daily living its precepts we bear witness to its inherent worth.

"A Brother neglected is a disgrace to Masonry; a Brother protected is a jewel in its crown." The shut-in, the aged, the discouraged, the unfortunate, the bereaved and the sick should all receive the sympathetic attention of every member of the Craft regardless of the particular lodge to which he belongs. This is the ideal. If we make any effort towards it the world will be a happier place to live in.

Again Masonry stresses the duty the Brethren owe to themselves to improve their mental powers. Masonry sets no educational test for those seeking to enter her portals, but once within they are enjoined to improve their standing to the utmost of their respective abilities. This can only be accomplished by each Brother choosing a definite field of work and employing his spare time to cultivate it. By improving his mind he is better enabled to carry out his duties as a member of society and make his influence felt both in Church and State. From a selfish standpoint, too, he is following a wise course. As we grow older our interests become narrower and by a well ordered course of Masonic study we may avoid the tragedy of entering on those barren years with a mind unfurnished and a withered heart.

Questions for Discussion: Under what six heads are the Ancient Charges arranged? What do they contain concerning the management of the Craft? How should Masons conduct themselves in Lodge? How at home? What makes a Mason a good citizen of the nation in which he resides? If every Mason were like me what kind of an Institution would Freemasonry be?

Subject for Debate: Resolved that the goal of Masonry can be attained only by individual effort.

MASONRY AND BENEVOLENCE.

by M.W. Bro. N. B. Williams.

Freemasonry is not a "Benevolent Society". There are other institutions specially designed as such, and such is their purpose. There is, however, an obligation on the part of a Brother's Lodge and each individual member thereof to come to the assistance of a Brother in distress, his widow or children. This duty cannot be evaded, neither can it be delegated. Through its Benevolent Fund Grand Lodge is ready, not to take the responsibility away from the lodge where it primarily belongs, but to assist the Lodge, where assistance is required, to discharge its responsibility. That is why our Constitution provides that "Grants are to be considered as *Supplementary* to the relief given by the Lodge recommending the application". (See Page 94, Clause 10, subsec. a).

Any Constituent Lodge that endeavours to pass on to the Benevolent Fund of Grand Lodge an undue portion of its responsibility is not acting fairly toward other Lodges nor has it realized that a Lodge which neither knows nor practices charity is like "faith without works"—a thing that is dead. Likewise the individual Mason whose heart has not been stirred and whose hand has not been quickened by the need or distress of a less fortunate Brother, or by the want or humiliation of the widow or dependents of a deceased Brother, has never profited by the lesson taught in the N.E. angle of the Lodge nor can he justly claim to be a Mason "in act as well as in word".

In this brief summary, figures and statistics will be used very sparingly. Its purpose is to invoke the kindly sympathy and deepen the interest of every Lodge in the greatest work Grand Lodge has ever undertaken—a systematic, co-ordinated attempt to extend in a practical way the hand of sympathy and love to the Brother who through accident or illness may have been reduced to the depths of poverty and distress or in bringing into the lives of helpless widows and dependent children of deceased Brethren some comfort, happiness and hope.

Prior to the year 1917, the amount standing to the credit of the Fund was very small. In that year the then Grand Master, M.W. Bro. James McCauley, in a "special effort to augment this fund" made an appeal to all lodges for a voluntary contribution on the basis of \$10.00 per capita, and, as a result of payments made on account of this appeal, plus the per capita levies the net surplus of the fund as at March 31st, 1919 stood at \$82,000.00. Since that time the fund has been steadily built up by voluntary contributions, levies and profits on exchange of bonds until it now has an invested capital of approximately \$295,000.00 in addition to a "Reserve Account", consisting of interest earnings not expended in grants when demands were comparatively light, of about \$25,000.00.

The fund is administered by a Board of Trustees elected by Grand Lodge and this Board is bound not only by the provisions of the Constitution but by the general laws and regulations governing the handling of Trust Funds. Critical comment has sometimes been offered because there is a "large" Investment Fund. The suggestion has even been made that during the present time of distress, the fund should be disbursed with a lavish hand. The Trustees cannot spend one single dollar of the Capital amount, neither can any committee of Grand Lodge nor even Grand Lodge itself. This is a *Trust Fund* set up for a specific purpose the capital of which, when the appeal was made, was to be set aside in perpetuity, thereby keeping faith in creating a moral as well as a financial trust. The *income* by way of interest received each year may be expended for assistance but no more. This should always be borne in mind. And even if it were possible to do so, should the usefulness of the fund be impaired or the source of the monthly grants be destroyed?

Every application for a grant must be presented on the approved form, properly completed in every respect, and must carry a recommendation from the Constituent Lodge together with a statement from such lodge as to the amount it is prepared to grant out of its own funds. Except under very special circumstances applications should not be made on behalf of individuals who are entitled to:

(a) OLD AGE PENSIONS. Grants made to Old Age Pensioners without regard to the Government regulations governing such pensions would simply be subsidising the Government as the Pension would be correspondingly reduced.

(b) MOTHER'S ALLOWANCES. In such cases the recipients are not allowed to receive outside assistance and if they do the amount so received is deducted from future Government Grants. Grants made in such cases would be helping the Government—not the individual.

(c) UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF. Needless to say that the Board, even if it would, could not possibly make grants by reason of unemployment alone. This would be a task far beyond its means. The applicant must be unemployable—not unemployed. Note the difference in terms.

The Board cannot make grants to cover medical fees, hospitalization or funeral expenses. These are municipal obligations. Neither are grants from the fund intended to relieve the family of the applicant of their responsibilities.

The fund stands at approximately \$295,000.00 and the "Surplus Revenue Fund" at about \$25,000.00 (this latter being available for the payment of grants if the income by way of interest in any year is not sufficient to cover approved disbursements.) Last year the fund earned approximately \$15,800.00 while the grants amounted to over \$17,000.00. There was therefore an overexpenditure of some \$1,600.00. This reduced the Surplus Revenue Fund from \$26,000.00 odd to \$25,000.00 odd. Applications are increasing from year to year and before the end of the present year grants may approximate \$18,000.00 for the year. At present the fund is yielding a return of about 5% but this will not continue and on any new investments or on conversions the rate will not likely exceed 3%. It will thus be seen that the capital of the fund will have to be greatly increased to take care of future requirements. At 3% the present investments would yield about \$9,000.00 per year. What would happen if the Board had before them approved applications totalling \$18,000.00 or \$20,000.00? Every existing grant would have to be substantially reduced. It may be argued that the Surplus Revenue Fund will take care of any necessary over-expenditure for some years to come. Stop and figure it out. How long would the \$25,000.00 last if the over-expenditure averaged \$5,000.00 or \$6,000.00 per year? A combination of *increasing* disbursements and *decreasing* revenues will very soon dissipate that surplus.

To give some idea of the great work being done through the agency of the fund, a few specific cases are quoted:

1. A Brother with wife, one son age 5, daughter age 14, became totally blind. Wife and daughter got work; wife's mother looked after the brother and little son; she died and wife had to give up work to look after blind husband. Appeal was made. Grant of \$25.00, supplemented by \$10.00 per month from the Lodge, was made until the brother died. Wife again went to work and refused further assistance; said "Would rather that someone benefit by it that requires it more."

2. Fourteen years ago Brother died leaving wife, son age 6, four daughters, 8, 4, 2, and six months. No insurance. With aid of grant, liberally supplemented by the Lodge, the widow was enabled to keep the home together, and by working herself was able to raise and educate her family.

3. Brother in fair situation seemed to lack energy; complained of ill health and some considered him lazy; moved to the Coast; admitted to hospital; found to have malignant cancer. Had wife and six children from age 14 down. Grant made, supplemented by his lodge; lived less than a year. Grant continued for widow. Eldest boy left school and went to work; was ambitious; Trustees, with help of his firm, arranged a night school course; made exceptional progress and before he was twenty-one had good position and took full responsibility for mother, brothers and sisters.

4. Brother enlisted and served four years overseas. Returned and re-established himself; was suddenly killed in an accident. Left wife and two small boys and a girl. Grant was made, widow returned to England with family. Within a year she died. Grant continued. Through co-operation of the Grand Lodge of England—boys placed in residential school while girl lived with grandmother until grandmother's death. She then was placed in residential school. Boys are now back in Canada and are re-establishing themselves and are independent of the Fund. Girl has been completing her own education and is a fine type of young woman. These young people have no words with which to express their appreciation.

Brethren, is it worth while? The great need is sympathetic understanding and co-operative effort. The Masons of Saskatchewan may be justly proud of the foundation which has been so well and wisely laid and

of what has so far been accomplished. Will the perpetuity of the Fund and its usefulness be endangered? Will this great heritage be neglected? What is your answer?

Questions for Discussion: What is the chief glory of Freemasonry? What do you know of Masonic Charity throughout the world? To whom do Masons give charity?

THE ASHLARS

by W. Bro. Geo. F. Savage.

Freemasonry is a science of life. During our Apprenticeship we are taught the rudiments of the system; its fundamental tenets and principles; that it is, for one thing, a system of morality illustrated, that is made clear or intelligible, by symbols. (As we make progress in the science it becomes increasingly manifest that it is more than moral instruction, that to a large degree it consists of mystical teaching of an intricate and spiritual nature.) The Ashlars, immovable jewels always lying open in the Lodge for the Brethren to moralize on, are among the richest of the symbols for the ideals and qualities which they teach are of the very essence of the science.

In studying these symbols it is well to keep in mind that they originated in the days before mass production, when the workmen were called upon to transform the rough material into the finished product with tools so elementary that we marvel at their ability to produce such beautiful work. With this in mind let us consider the ashlar, two pieces of stone, the one rough hewn as it came from the quarries, crude and unattractive, the other a beautifully finished piece, pleasing to the eye for its symmetry and workmanship, symbolising the ideal Masonic life from its inception to its full attainment. In so doing let us follow the transformation by the Operative Mason from the rough into the perfect that we may find the parallel to a Freemason's development.

THE ROUGH ASHLAR: The workman, before entering on the work, must of necessity, by faith in himself and his undertaking, visualize the finished product. To this end he first chooses his material. It must be of sufficient size and possess certain qualities which will enable it to withstand the stress and strain to be put upon it. So in Masonry, we do not take every piece of material offered, but only accept an applicant after the most thorough investigation, and having accepted him we continue to test him again and again. Think of the questions before being prepared, after entering the door, on bended knee in the N.W., at the Altar, and at the N.E. angle, and of the circumambulation to show the Brethren that the material is as it should be. Truly the material must be chosen with care.

Having selected the material the Workman dons his apron, takes his tools in hand and proceeds to chip off all excrescences; not here, there or anywhere, but on one side at a time; the first side or face forming the foundation of the whole work. As each blow falls and each chip flies, so should it be a blow toward and a chip nearer perfection. Otherwise there is a waste of time, labour and material which no Master will condone. This side or face must be straight and true, to prove which, two straight edges must be used.

So with the newly admitted Brother seeking assistance to a fuller life, his apron on, he is given the tools appropriate to starting work, the 24 inch Gauge, the Common Gavel, and the Chisel; told what they are for and how the principle underlying the use of each will influence his life and lead him to divest himself of all superfluities thereby enabling him to be more useful to his country, his neighbour and himself and finally to stand before the G.A.O.T.U. unstained by vice and unspotted by sin.

Hence the necessity of great care in conferring the First Degree so that the candidate may grasp the fundamental principles of Freemasonry. Even then he is not left to his own devices. He is under the supervision of the W.M. and, as in the case with the first face which must be perfect before another face can be started, he must give proof of his proficiency before being advanced.

The first face having been proved straight, level, and plumb, the stone is turned and with the same tools the superfluous material on this face is removed. In proving this side to be at right angles to the first face he has recourse to the tools now given him, particularly the Square. So the work proceeds, face by face, until the whole work is complete: six sides, each perfect and in harmony with its fellow. Truly Masonry is a progressive science. After indefatigable exertion the faithful workman has transformed the rough material into a finished product, as nearly perfect as is humanly possible.

THE PERFECT ASHLAR: Note the word perfect—perfect material, perfect workmanship, perfect finish, a perfect cube. We are told that the Perfect Ashlar is for the expert workman to adjust his jewels on. What are those jewels? They are the Square, the Level, and the Plumb Rule. Formerly these tools were made of wood, subject to warping by climatic conditions and easily damaged by carelessness or accident, thus requiring frequent testing and adjusting. Of necessity therefore such a stone was placed in or near the building for the use of the workmen, symbolising that we must constantly test the standards by which we live.

We are also taught that all squares, levels and perpendiculars are true and proper signs by which to know a Mason. So, they are all to be found in the Perfect Ashlar. Place your square on any of its many angles and each is true; place your level on its surface, your plumb rule on its sides and the lines are horizontal and the plumb is on the centre. Thus, as we moralize on the Perfect Ashlar, we can picture the attributes of the ideal Mason. Turn it where you will, if left to itself it will assume a position, square, level and upright — familiar terms indicating the true man. So with the Mason, place him where you will, in the office, the church, on the street, at home or abroad, and his life will be an example for others to follow, and he will be found under all conditions to be a man of whom it may be truly said, "He is a workman who needeth not to be ashamed."

Again we are told that the immovable jewels lie open in the Lodge for the Brethren to moralize on, and what a moral the Ashlars teach as they lie there, constant and prominent—silent witnesses to the faith that is in us: silent reminders of the design of Masonry for us: silent reproaches for our carelessness and indolence. They furnish a striking contrast between what is and what might have been: between fact and fancy: actuality and potentiality; accomplishment and aspiration: the real and the ideal.

Questions for Discussion: What is your understanding of the ashlar symbolism? What constitutes a rough ashlar? What is the criterion by which the fitness of a candidate is judged? Can a Mason shape his own destiny or be instrumental in shaping the destiny of others without the aid of the Masonic working tools? What use can be made of men who use profanity, tell smutty stories, and gossip maliciously?

Subject for Debate: Resolved that the greatest tragedy of a Mason's life is to mar his ashlar.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN

by Bro. J. H. Irwin.

The writer is using the term statesman as one who takes a leading part in the affairs of the state, and one who makes a definite contribution to society.

Benjamin Franklin, from his youth to his death, serves as a striking example of a man with some failures and many accomplishments. His educational preparation, valued in terms of school attendance, may be classed with the poorest. Financial circumstances caused him to discontinue the Grammar School early in life, yet this does not indicate that he was uneducated. He possessed the necessary urge for self-improvement, and it is not surprising to note, endowed as he was with great capacity and energy, that he was a keen student throughout his life.

His later boyhood is a story of struggle, first in his brother's printing shop, and then in Philadelphia, the new home of his activities. Later in his search for a printing outfit in England, we note his ability to make valuable acquaintances through the charm of his personality.

1. LEADERSHIP ASSERTED—THE STATESMAN.

A. LOCAL: Soon Franklin became a leader in the community. As an editor and author he concerned himself with educating public opinion on the necessity of improving social conditions as is evidenced in "Poor Richard's Almanac". He is credited with establishing the first subscription and circulating library in America; with founding the University of Pennsylvania; with organizing the American Philosophical Society; with starting the first fire company in Philadelphia. Later he became the clerk of the colonial Assembly and Postmaster of Philadelphia.

B. THE COLONIES: Franklin lived in a period of history making for the colonies, and he became one of its central figures. In brief a few of his long list of services were: 1. Deputy Postmaster-General for America. 2. As member for Albany Convention he presented a plan of union. 3. From 1757 on he spent five years in England defending the cause of the colonies. 4. He was chosen a member of the committee that drafted the Declaration of Independence. 5. His diplomacy proved a valuable asset as Minister from United States to France. 6. Recognizing his worth as a statesman it is to be noted that his signature appeared on three important documents; i. The Declaration of Independence ii. The Constitution of the United States. iii. The Treaty of Paris with France.

C. HIS PRACTICAL CONTRIBUTION AS A SCIENTIST: It is doubtful if Franklin should be classed as a scientist in the strict sense of the word, yet his discoveries are so practical and useful that they must be given recognition. Among the long list the writer selects: 1. The invention of a copper plate printing press. 2. The iron fireplace and stove. 3. The lightning rods, resulting from the discovery that lightning is electricity and not a thing to be feared. In passing the reader should note that England and France, too, received him and honoured his services. This made it easy for him to form friendships that proved not only valuable to himself, but to the colonies.

2. A MASON.

A. AT HOME: Benjamin Franklin lived in a period when Freemasonry was being introduced into the Western Hemisphere, and he may be rightly rated as one of its fathers. Records show that the first lodge meeting held was at Boston, 1720. Franklin joined the Craft in June, 1731. His value was apparent and he advanced rapidly. In 1734, he was appointed Provincial Grand Master for Pennsylvania by Henry Price, Grand Master of His Majesty's Dominions, in North America. Franklin's biggest contribution appeared in 1734 when he edited the Anderson Constitution and Regulations of the Grand Lodge which also contained the history of the Craft. This proved to be the first Masonic work published in America.

B. ABROAD: While in France Franklin affiliated with the celebrated Lodge of the Nine Sisters, the Lodge especially noted for many celebrities

of French Literature. He took a prominent part in the initiation of his friend, Voltaire, and he acted as Senior Warden on the occasion of Voltaire's funeral rites.

The Lodge of Nine Sisters held Franklin in such esteem, that it struck a medal in his honour, of which a copy is supposed to be the only one in existence. It belongs to the Provincial Grand Lodge of Mecklenburg.

CONCLUSIONS: It is impossible to enlarge further on so versatile a genius. However this brief survey, it is hoped will stimulate a search to know more about the man America rates with her greatest, and the Masons class with its founders—"The daily practice of the little things prepared him as a man to perform the big things for his country. More than any other man, Franklin, by his character won the nations of Europe to give recognition to the new nation which was being established in the New World. (A little thing is a little thing, but faithfulness to little things is a big thing.) It was this faithfulness to the little things of life that made Benjamin Franklin a great man."

Questions for Discussion: Discuss Franklin's colourful life not only in America but in England and in France as (a) A Diplomat; (b) A scientist, (c) A Mason. What is your reaction to Franklin's favourite statement. "Never leave that till tomorrow which you can do to-day." Compare Franklin's rules of life . . . namely, thrift, honesty, industry and conduct towards his fellow men with Masonic ideals. Why did Franklin visit France?

Subject for Debate: Resolved that Masonry made Benjamin Franklin great.

GRAND LODGE, IT'S NECESSITY, STRUCTURE, AND WORK

by M.W. Bro. J. W. Estey.

Grand Lodge is the supreme Masonic authority within its jurisdiction which for us includes the whole of the province of Saskatchewan and northward therefrom by extending the lines of its east and west boundaries into the extreme north. At one time we were a part of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba until the year 1906, with the permission of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, we formed the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan. Originally in or about the City of London there were four Masonic Lodges. These united to form the first Grand Lodge and directly or indirectly all Grand Lodges may trace their allegiance back to the original Grand Lodge.

A perusal and study of the Constitution will indicate that though our Grand Lodge is the sovereign power in all matters of Ancient Craft Masonry within this Grand Jurisdiction it is, in the truest sense, a democratic institution. Our Grand Lodge has no existence apart from the the Constituent Lodges over which it presides. If there were no Constituent Lodges there could be no active Grand Lodge.

Section 3 of our Constitution defines the composition of Grand Lodge as follows: "Grand Lodge shall consist of its Grand Officers, Past Grand Masters and Past Deputy Grand Masters, the Past Masters, Masters and Wardens of all chartered Lodges under its jurisdiction, and affiliated Past Masters after they have been a member of a Constituent Lodge for three years." The foregoing sets out the voting strength of Grand Lodge. Every question or issue that comes up for discussion is decided by an open vote in which the majority obtains, except with respect to the election of officers and matters relating to the trust funds.

Furthermore, any suggested amendment or alteration of the Constitution must be submitted in writing in accordance with Section 28 of the

Constitution which reads as follows: "The constitution of Grand Lodge may be amended or altered at any annual communication thereof by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided that no amendment shall be entertained without notice in writing, stating the amendment proposed, having been given to the Grand Secretary four months previous to the annual communication and a copy of such proposed amendment or alteration sent by the Grand Secretary to each Lodge at least three months previous to said communication."

The foregoing will indicate the composition and procedure of Grand Lodge and the further and all important fact that the representatives in attendance have complete control of every issue or matter submitted at the meeting.

At present 198 Lodges, located throughout the settled portion of our province, constitute the Grand Jurisdiction of Saskatchewan. It is essential that if we are to attain a reasonable measure of harmony and uniformity in thought, expression and procedure; if we are to maintain appropriate relations with all foreign jurisdictions and if we are to enjoy effective Masonic progress we must maintain a central authority and this we do through the medium of our Grand Lodge.

That the foregoing is essential may at once be admitted. If however it be questioned—Let us reflect and envisage a condition of Masonry in which every Lodge is a sovereign entity—adopting its own interpretations of the ancient landmarks and making its own decisions upon matters of ritual, procedure, and regalia without regard to any limitation except the will of its own majority, without the benefit of instruction at district meetings, of discussion at the annual communications and of the counsel and advice through correspondence. Every active mason will recall decisions made by a Lodge in the best of good faith which might have had a very far reaching effect. That would have made that Lodge different from any other Lodge. These differences, perhaps slight at first, would soon increase. Gradually and inevitably each Lodge would become more distinctive and Masonic inter-lodge relationship would soon cease to be a fact. Masonry itself would be local and different. The bond of fraternal relationship that now makes friendships wherever we travel would cease and Masonry as we now appreciate it would be no more.

Once every year we assemble in annual communication and special communications may be held as necessity requires. Throughout the balance of the year our Grand Lodge functions through the medium of the Board of General Purposes, the Grand Master and other Grand Lodge Officers to all of whom duties and responsibilities are allocated by the Constitution and for the discharge of their respective functions they are responsible to Grand Lodge to which, at the next annual communication full and complete report of all activities must be made.

The Board of General Purposes is also a creature of the delegates of Grand Lodge in this sense, that 10 of its members are elected. Section 59 of the Constitution reads as follows: "For the better carrying out of the general business of Grand Lodge there shall be a Board of General Purposes which shall consist of the Grand Master, Past Grand Masters, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Senior Warden, Grand Junior Warden, Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary, Grand Registrar and ten others, members of the Grand Lodge (five of whom shall be elected by ballot after nomination each year, and shall hold office for two years from date of election.)" The board so constituted makes it possible that each year its membership may be substantially changed. To this Board new and varying ideas may be brought to be discussed both by those elected and those who have enjoyed the experience of holding office in Grand Lodge and discharging the responsibilities associated therewith.

Experience in this and other Grand Lodges justifies the constitution of the Board in this manner and the records indicate that the elected members usually constitute either a majority or an effective minority at all of the meetings of the Board.

In the main this Board functions through standing committees, provided for by the Constitution, who report in writing to the annual meeting of the Board, held immediately preceding the annual communication, and in turn these reports are submitted by the Board to Grand Lodge at its annual communication.

This Grand Jurisdiction enjoys fraternal relations with 77 foreign Masonic Jurisdictions.

Briefly Grand Lodge is the supreme legislative, judicial and executive body within the Grand Jurisdiction. Its every decision should be well founded in principle and administered in a firm but sympathetic manner. Such is the high standard that has been well maintained throughout the history of Masonry. It is our responsibility to the Craft that we continue that degree of Masonic efficiency. It should therefore be not only the responsibility of every member of Grand Lodge but also of every Master Mason, through his representative at Grand Lodge, to take such an interest in the affairs of his Grand Lodge as he may deem necessary to ensure that we may at all times maintain and promote the very highest and best Masonic traditions and enjoy an important position among the Grand Lodges with which we maintain fraternal relations.

Questions for Discussion: How does a Lodge lose its charter; what becomes of its property; and what is the standing of its members? How is a new lodge formed? What is the purpose of the District Meetings and what is the relation of the District Meeting to the meeting of Grand Lodge? Should the District Meeting be re-named District Lodge of Instruction?

THE ALTAR

by Bro. H. C. M. Brown.

THE SITUATION OF THE ALTAR: In our Lodges the Altar stands in the centre. As the mystic circle forms, the paths of each and every individual to the Altar are equal radii of a common circle—denoting equality and community of purpose. As our eyes naturally and easily travel along that path to the Altar so our spirits seem to fuse in a common act of rededication—so creating the atmosphere proper to our surroundings and to our purpose of meeting. The Altar becomes the focal point of eye and mind because of its central position and therefore of what it represents.

In olden days the Altar was a place of Sanctuary—a refuge upon which suppliants might lay hold (the horns of the Altar) and from which they could not be torn without offending the Deity. So, within our tiled walls, the Altar symbolizes security—a place of refuge—a sanctuary from the turmoils of the outer world—as well as a religious symbol representing a place of worship.

Since ancient times men have been accustomed to take their most solemn contracts and oaths at the Altar—our marriage ceremony probably has its origin there—as being more solemn and binding than those assumed under any other circumstances. So the Altar of the Masonic Lodge should symbolize solemnity as well as reverence and consecration.

Among the Ancients it was usual to have two Altars—one without the Temple for sacrificial purposes—and one within for incense and bloodless sacrifices. The Masonic Altar is within, and while some hold it

combines the two, symbolically I prefer to think it properly is for the bloodless, that is the spiritual sacrifice where the soul may commune with its maker—the spirit rising, as the incense from the Altar, naturally rather than by the power of the blood of atonement shed by the object of sacrifice. Of such there was One whose blood was shed for the sin of the world.

THE APPROACH TO THE ALTAR: "There is no royal road". Alike the peer and peasant is directed by his guides how to approach the Altar by the proper steps. Similarly all come clothed alike—in the humblest of garments—denoting humility or simplicity. The proper steps are . . . in the first, . . . in the second and . . . in the third. Masonry is a progressive science— . . . rule— . . . hold—and . . . make perfect—the numbers each have their own peculiar significance as the candidate progressively learns. Then finally—on bended knee—denoting reverence in the presence of the Almighty as well as allegiance to Him.

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE ALTAR: It is at the Altar that the initiate first sees the light—the blessing of material light is there restored to him, after journeying in darkness. So in our spiritual life, we must approach the Altar with reverence and there we commune with Him in prayer in all humility that we may see the light of God's countenance. Here too his attention is drawn to the three great, though emblematic lights—the V. S. L., the S. and Cs. The V.S.L. to rule and govern our F.—the S. and Cs. to regulate our lives and actions and to keep us in due bounds . . . Here at the Altar he finds light—wherewith to see God's word to teach him—and the S. and Cs., which later become for him those well-known symbols of M—ry, whose lessons of morality are to regulate his life and actions henceforth. Can the Altar be other than a consecrated place—from this time on? Could he wish to retrace his steps and plunge himself again in darkness of his former life? The Altar becomes a turning-point from darkness to light. Consider the miracle of a blind person recovering sight.

It is at the Altar too, the candidate is obligated, and takes his successive vows or pledges. Here he kneels in the presence of his Creator—Masonry is not a religion—but *it is religious*, in a reverential sense. Here he invokes the aid of the Almighty—to sustain him in his vows. So the Altar becomes a sacred place to the earnest soul—even *thine* Altar Oh Lord of hosts (Ps. 84:3).

Questions for Discussion: What is the significance of the Altar as related to Circumambulation? What did the horns of the Altar symbolize and in what way is the Lodge a sanctuary? Why is the Altar not included as an item in the furniture of the Lodge in the Junior Warden's Lecture? Demonstrate the proper way to approach the Altar in each degree. Give reasons.

THE SPIRIT OF MASONRY

by W. Bro. Douglas Fraser

Throughout the ages great artists and sculptors have from time to time portrayed through the medium in which they worked symbolic and idealistic figures to express their highest conceptions of great ideals, e.g., of Truth: Hope: Love: Youth: The Thinker.

If a great sculptor were commissioned to carve an heroic figure expressive of the Spirit of Masonry how would he proceed? What would be his conception?

Before entering on the work he would familiarize himself with the teaching, history, symbolism and traditions of the system. He would, no

doubt, read and re-read the eloquent description of the ideal Mason as depicted in the general charge to the Lodge in the Installation Ceremony. Having steeped his mind in the ideal he would turn to the practical. He would, like Diogenes, finally go out into the world to search for a man. He would, I conceive, search for a "model": one who by his manner of living, by his translation of the tenets and principles of the order into the art of daily living most closely approximated to his conception of the ideal Mason. Having found such an one he would sculpture his face and form in imperishable stone and call it "the Spirit of Masonry". It would be a master piece.

If we would discover the Spirit of Masonry let us adopt the method of the artist and if we would live in that spirit our first step, like his, is to master and to make a vital part of ourselves all that can be known of our great system. Following in the artist's footsteps then let us first analyze the degrees, if, perchance, we can select from among its inspiring teachings the central, all embracing quotation defining its very essence. After careful deliberation, from all the wealth of this treasure house I have chosen this gem—"One of the brightest characters recorded in the annals of Masonry our G.M.H.A., who lost his life in consequence of his unshaken fidelity to the sacred trust reposed in him", and particularly the words "unshaken fidelity" as epitomizing the Spirit of Masonry.

In the drama the words firmness, fortitude and courage, all expressed in the word "unshaken" appear repeatedly. (For a study of the quality of courage see 1933 Proceedings, page 108.) Likewise throughout the whole work "fidelity" occurs again and again.

Faithfulness, honesty, integrity, faith, loyalty and fealty are synonyms for fidelity.

In many instances, particularly in the charge to the newly initiated candidate, fidelity is used in the sense of loyalty,—to the constitution, the ancient landmarks, the obligations.—(In this connection see 1934 Proceedings, page 107). But in the excerpt above "fidelity" is used in the broader sense of "faithfulness". True it is exemplified in matters of secrecy, but the Master's faithfulness was to something greater—the sacred trust, and the measure of his faithfulness was "even unto death". If the greatest measure of brotherly love is the laying down of one's life for a friend, then, the highest standard of all Love is giving up one's life for a principle (the Truth). It reaches the same height as was attained by the Great Teacher of Nazareth and to a lesser degree by the Martyrs. "It is in the soil drenched by the blood of Martyrs that Truth flourishes."

Fidelity is a thing of the spirit: it manifests itself in service and in sacrifice. He best displays the true spirit of Masonry who best serves.

And now let us accompany the sculptor, into the world, to find such an one. Where shall we search? Among kings and potentates, among great students and mystics, in far away lands, or among the dead? We might find him there, but, in all likelihood, we will, like the boy Tytyl, in Maeterlinck's "Blue Bird", who searched everywhere for Happiness, return unsuccessful and find our ideal in our own home.

Despite the unrest, the depression, the uncertainty and the prevalence of false doctrine there are today about as many men and Masons who have squared their actions by the square of virtue and who are living within due bounds with themselves, their fellows and God. Men who live their vital faith before the world—who are ennobled and entitled to the Knightly motto "semper fidelis"—always faithful. Truly our sculptor need not go beyond the bounds of Saskatchewan, nor we beyond the door of our own lodge—to find the man of "unshaken fidelity to the sacred trust reposed in him."

Masonry is sufficient unto *this* day.

" 'Tis the sublime of man to know ourselves
Parts and proportions of a wondrous whole.
Thus fraternizes man. 'Tis God
Diffused through all doth make the all one whole."
—Coleridge.

Questions for Discussion: The Speculative Mason depicts his ideal by the written word: the Operative Mason portrays his in chiselled stone. Which is the better method of *Masonic* teaching? In what ways can Masons display the Spirit of Masonry to the profane? Different men have different conceptions of God: Are Masons entitled to different interpretations of the fundamental tenets of Masonry? What do you consider as "the sacred trust reposed in you" as an individual: a father: a citizen and a Mason?

Subject for Debate: Resolved that the Master would have been justified in disclosing the secrets to save his life.

Report of Committee on Foreign Correspondence

Herewith we present our review of the proceedings of 67 jurisdictions, all that had reached the office of the Grand Secretary on May 1st last. It will be observed that losses in membership in nearly all jurisdictions still continue although they are now smaller than for several years past, and the opinion of most writers is that the worst has passed and that we may look forward to a period of growth and renewed activity. The aggregate losses during the last five years, particularly in the United States, have been large. According to statistics prepared by some reviewers there were in the United States, in 1931, 16,416 Masonic Lodges with 3,287,153 members, whereas on January 1st, 1936, there were 15,918 lodges with 2,665,511 members, a loss of approximately 18%.

Grand Lodges in Canada report losses but on the whole smaller than those which have occurred in the United States; in Australia some of the Grand Lodges have reported gains; and in Great Britain Masonry appears to be in a flourishing condition and has not suffered as a result of the economic difficulties to the same extent as in other parts of the world. The number of lodges under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of England continues to increase; in 1926 there were 4,194 lodges, in 1935 there were 4,894 lodges, 731 of which are located outside of England.

The most impressive activity which characterises all Grand Lodges is the benevolent work which is carried on. This takes the form of homes for the aged and orphans, hospitals and schools and assistance to the afflicted and the needy in their own homes. Large sums of money are expended every year and even during recent years when many lodges and some of the Grand Lodges have been handicapped by loss of members and consequent decrease in their resources, every effort has been put forth to maintain the charities intact and as yet no single case of failure has been reported.

A subject causing many of the jurisdictions concern is life membership. Many lodges appear to have suffered financial embarrassment because of many of the members purchasing life memberships and steps are being taken in several jurisdictions with the object of curtailing what is coming to be regarded as a detriment to the best interests of Masonry. Another subject freely discussed is that of suspension for non-payment of dues and the general opinion is that no member should be suspended who evinces an interest in his lodge and who would pay his dues if he had the

means. Efforts are being made in many jurisdictions to reinstate those who have been suspended during the past few years and these efforts appear to be meeting with success.

In some jurisdictions discussion has recently taken place as to the advisability of discussing non-esoteric Masonic activities outside the lodge room; it is the opinion of many that we should encourage the giving of information as to our objects and activities to the outside world in order to enlighten the public and thus remove misunderstanding. This course appears to have been pursued in Switzerland where it had been determined to permit the voters to decide whether or not secret societies should be allowed to exist; as a result of the information it is now thought by some of the leading Masons in Europe that the vote on the subject may not take place.

There is a tendency in a few of the jurisdictions reviewed to permit discussion of political subjects in Masonic gatherings not only in the constituent lodges but in Grand Lodge. These discussions consist in the main of attacks on some organization which is said to be founded upon a hatred of God, the destruction of the home and the overthrow of government; these attacks are sought to be justified on the ground that the organization in question is opposed to the very principles upon which Masonry is founded. The course being followed appears to be dangerous and contrary to the spirit and traditions of the Fraternity. Masonry should keep itself free from discussion of all religious and political subjects; it should attack no organization, political or otherwise. We should see that all our members are familiar with the principles and ideals of the Order and if they are they will act consistently with these principles in every day life.

W. M. MARTIN,

Chairman of Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

ALABAMA

116th Annual Communication at Montgomery, December 1st and 2nd, 1936. Grand Master C. S. Wright. Lodges 470. Members 28,124. Loss 427. Prior to the opening of the Grand Lodge the brethren assembled at 6.30 o'clock in the evening for the purpose of receiving a visit from the Grand Matron and officers of The Order of the Eastern Star.

Eight Past Grand Masters were present and 250 lodges were represented at the Annual Communication. 52 Grand Jurisdictions were represented, among them Saskatchewan by Bro. Joseph D. Pruett. The Grand Representatives were welcomed by the Grand Master and requested to extend the greetings of the Grand Lodge of Alabama to their respective jurisdictions. Among the distinguished visitors was M.W. Bro. Jesse C. Clark, Grand Master of Florida.

The Grand Master reported that the year had been one of peace and harmony and that renewed interest had been manifest throughout the jurisdiction, which was evidenced by the number of reinstatements and the smallest loss in membership since 1931.

The Grand Master attended the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star in October, 1936, and took an active part in the deliberations. He accompanied the members on a visit to the Masonic Home.

The corner stones of four public buildings were laid during the year. 8 dispensations were issued for the consolidation of lodges.

The revenue in the General account exceeded the expenditure for the year by \$5,800.00. The Revenue of the Masonic Home was \$51,500.00 and the expenditure \$48,800.00. The finances appear to be in a sound position and it is apparent that progress is being made in Alabama.

There is no review of correspondence.

ALBERTA

31st Annual Communication at Edmonton, June 10th and 11th, 1936. Grand Master M. M. Downey. Lodges 156. Members 12,156. Loss 405. A Special Communication of Grand Lodge was held in the City of Edmonton on June 9th, 1936, for the purpose of considering a proposed draft constitution to take the place of the constitution which was adopted in 1919. The draft was considered clause by clause and was finally adopted to become effective on the 31st of December, 1936.

Eleven Past Grand Masters were present at the Annual Communication and 42 Grand Jurisdictions were represented, among them Saskatchewan by M.W. Bro. W. J. Botterill. Among the distinguished visitors present was M.W. Bro. A. J. Anderson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario. 123 of the lodges were represented, there being 33 without representation.

On January 20th, 1936, the Grand Master cabled His Majesty King Edward VIII extending to himself and Queen Mary and the members of the Royal Family the sympathy of the Grand Lodge of Alberta on the occasion of the death of His Majesty King George V. A resolution was adopted in which fitting reference was made to the death of His Majesty and pledging the devotion of the Masons of Alberta to the Crown. The adoption of the resolution was followed by the singing of the National Anthem.

The Grand Master paid tribute to the memory of M.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood, Past Grand Master, who passed away on August 8th, 1935. The deceased brother was a scholar, a teacher, a member of the legal profession and a most respected citizen. He was a keen student of Masonry and rendered great service not only in Alberta but in other parts of Canada.

The Grand Master attended the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the City of Hamilton in July, 1935.

There is a Benevolent Fund of about \$200,000.00 and there was expended on grants to beneficiaries during the year \$12,871.00. The action of the Provincial Government in cutting the rate of interest on provincial bonds will mean a loss to the Benevolent Fund of \$2,900.00 per annum as \$120,000.00 in this fund consists of Alberta bonds.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. A. M. Mitchell, Past Grand Master. In a foreword Bro. Mitchell states that without the assistance of the other members of the Committee the report would hardly be possible. He refers to questions troubling the Craft and states that the commonest reference in the jurisdictions of the United States is the relationship of Freemasonry to the sale of alcoholic liquors, most codes prohibiting membership to anyone engaged in such sale. The repeal of the 18th amendment has created a confused condition. He also refers to loss in membership but thinks there is a more hopeful condition prevailing. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1935 are very fully and kindly reviewed.

ARIZONA

55th Annual Communication at Phoenix, March 11th and 12th, 1936. Grand Master Everett H. McEachren. Lodges 39. Members 5,700. Loss 192. A Special Communication was held at Grand Canyon on January 8th, 1935, for the purpose of constituting Grand Canyon Lodge No. 40. Two special communications were held for the purpose of laying the corner stones of a church and a Post Office building.

18 Past Grand Masters were present at the Annual Communication and all lodges but one were represented. 54 Grand Jurisdictions were represented, among them Saskatchewan by Bro. J. K. Chilton. Among the distinguished visitors was M.W. Bro. W. S. Turnpugh, Grand Master of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico.

The Grand Master stated he believed that Masonry was again coming into its own and that the Masons of Arizona were once more enjoying reasonable prosperity and a return to activity in many directions. He made reference to the losses in membership but was of the opinion that the financial position of the lodges was sound. He reported that he had visited all the lodges. He attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington in February, 1936, and said that he had been benefitted and had received inspiration from the discussion of various subjects by well qualified students of Craftsmanship.

According to the report of the Grand Treasurer the General Fund is in sound position, there being a surplus of revenue over expenditure for the year of about \$1,000.00.

The Grand Secretary reported a loss in membership of 192 as compared with 302 last year. There was a decrease in the number of suspensions for non-payment of dues and this, in the opinion of the Grand Secretary, indicates an encouraging outlook. There is a Masonic Home Endowment Fund of \$179,000.00. The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Lloyd C. Henning, P.G.M. There is a very generous review of the Saskatchewan Proceedings of 1935 with a kindly and complimentary reference to the remarks of M.W. Bro. T. W. Sutherland on "World Affairs."

BRITISH COLUMBIA

65th Annual Communication at Nanaimo, June 18th and 19th, 1936. Grand Master George C. Derby. Lodges 118. Members 14,010. Loss 316. 14 Past Grand Masters were present and 36 Grand Jurisdictions were represented. Among the distinguished visitors were M.W. Bro. L. R. Scott, Grand Master of Idaho, and M.W. Bro. R. F. Peters, Grand Master of Oregon.

After the opening of Grand Lodge an address was delivered by R.W. Bro. Rev. J. S. Henderson on the subject, "The Making of a New World". The keynote of the address was that a new world will come when we think enough of righteousness to make it a part of all human relationships, personal, domestic, social and national.

A civic welcome was tendered by Bro. John Barsby, the Mayor of Nanaimo. The Grand Master made reference to the church in which the communication was being held recalling the fact that its corner stone was laid on July 18th, 1893, by the then Grand Master M.W. Bro. Sibree Clarke, assisted by the Grand Chaplain, Rev. Dr. E. D. McLaren, who was subsequently Grand Master.

Fitting reference was made by the Grand Master to the death of His Majesty King George V, and he reported that he had cabled a message of sympathy on behalf of the Masons of British Columbia to Queen Mary and the members of the Royal Family.

The Grand Master stated that his experience had convinced him of the necessity of confining all lectures and addresses in lodges to purely Masonic matters, that such subjects were so numerous that it was unnecessary to introduce other subjects, and that the introduction of outside matters was capable of causing disagreement among the members.

On October 26th, 1935, the 36 lodges in Greater Vancouver tendered the Grand Master a banquet. On this occasion the Grand Master was accompanied by the Grand Masters of the States of Washington and Oregon. In January, 1936, the Grand Master attended a reception given to the Grand Master of Washington by the lodges in the City of Seattle.

Four Past Grand Masters passed away during the year, M.W. Bro. E. D. McLaren, Grand Master in 1897, M.W. Bro. Charles E. Tis-

dall, Grand Master in 1923, M.W. Bro. Andrew Henderson, Grand Master in 1933, and M.W. Bro. Douglas Corsan, Grand Master in 1917. M.W. Bro. Leonard Morris, a resident of Saskatchewan for a number of years, and Grand Master of Prince Edward Island in 1897 and 1898, passed away in Vancouver in January 1935.

The Grand Master during the year addressed a letter to all the lodges with respect to the recognition of organizations which require as a pre-requisite membership and good standing in the Masonic Order and also organizations which admit women to membership. He drew the attention of the brethren to the fact that Grand Lodge did not recognize any of these organizations as being Masonic and cautioned the lodges against any action which indicated recognition of these bodies.

The finances are in a sound position and there was a surplus of revenue over expenditure in the General account for the year. There is a Benevolent Fund of \$400,000.00. Three dispensations for new lodges were granted during the year.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. W. A. De Wolf Smith, the Grand Secretary. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1935 are given extensive reference.

CALIFORNIA

87th Annual Communication at San Francisco, October 13th, 14th, 15th and 16th, 1936. Grand Master Earl Warren. Lodges 582. Members 127,728. Loss 1,598. 20 Past Grand Masters were present and 552 constituent lodges were represented. Several veteran brethren who had been Masons for 50 years or more were presented to Grand Lodge by the Grand Master and received with great enthusiasm.

The Grand Master reported that peace and harmony prevailed in all the lodges of the jurisdiction and that there had been no unpleasantness during the year. The Grand Master confined his visits largely to lodges in the country making very few to lodges in the cities. He visited the Hawaiian lodges, 8 in number, and found that they were making a great contribution to social development and were happy in their association with the Grand Lodge of California.

The Grand Master reported on his attendance at the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and stated that the question most seriously discussed was the growing evil of lotteries and other gambling enterprises sponsored by organizations collateral to Masonry. Every Grand Master who spoke on the subject expressed himself in opposition to all gambling conducted by or in the name of Masonry.

The finances are in sound position. There was a substantial surplus in the year's operations and the assets are valued at \$751,000.00. The amount collected for the Masonic Homes at Decoto and Covina from the levy of \$1.25 was \$153,767.00 and the total revenue for Masonic Home purposes was \$342,000.00. The operating expense of Masonic Homes was \$302,000.00. There is a Home Endowment Fund of \$855,000.00.

Masonic club houses are supported by Grand Lodge at the University of California at Berkeley and Los Angeles. \$8,000.00 was appropriated for each club. Satisfaction was expressed with the management of the trustees at both institutions and the increasing use of the facilities of the clubs indicates that they are a very worth while and important activity among the students of the University.

M.W. Bro. Rollie W. Miller is Grand Master for 1936-37.

CANADA (IN ONTARIO)

81st Annual Communication at Toronto, July 15th and 16th, 1936. Grand Master Alexander J. Anderson. Lodges 568. Members 101,162.

Loss 3,600. An address of welcome was given by R. W. Bro. W. J. Wadsworth, a member of The Board of Control of the City of Toronto, who stated that the members of the Craft individually and collectively had contributed much to the welfare and progress of the City and that their contribution of good citizenship was but the natural expression of the inward grace of character which is an attribute of a true Mason.

The Grand Master made extensive reference to the 25th Anniversary and Silver Jubilee of His Majesty King George V and to his death only six months afterwards. He paid tribute to the life of the late King stating that his earnest and upright life formed a link of confidence between the people and government and those of other countries in the world. The Grand Master instructed all the District Deputy Grand Masters to inform the Masters of the lodges that the Altar should be draped and that a period of mourning be observed for three months from the date of His Majesty's death.

In referring to the meetings of the lodges the Grand Master stated that meetings should be opened promptly on the hour announced, that the opening and closing ceremonies should be accurately exemplified and with dignity and precision; that promptness is necessary in every part of a Masonic meeting and that no meeting should extend after 12 o'clock. He thinks non-attendance is due in part to the prolonging of and lack of promptness displayed at meetings. He also reminded the brethren that the obligation to attend is just as sacred as any other obligation assumed by Masons and pointed out that the Ancient Brethren were not provided with alluring entertainment but attended because of an earnest desire to join in the advancement of the best there is in life.

The Grand Master also spoke of "special attractions" and stated that nothing should be said or done in a lodge which will give Masonry the character of a side-show. Displays and publicity are not to be encouraged for the aim of Masonry is to uplift mankind, to lead people into correct habits of thinking and to instill in each of us a keener sense of our responsibility as good citizens.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to the problem of unemployment, and he suggested that a systematic census be made of all unemployed Masons and an effort put forth to find employment for them. He estimated there were 10,000 unemployed Masons in Ontario.

The total receipts for the year were about \$127,000.00 and the sum of \$93,000.00 was expended on benevolence.

M.W. Bro. D. J. Goggin, passed away in the City of Toronto during the year. He was a Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and was closely associated with the educational system of the North-West Territories for a number of years, having resided for some time in the City of Regina.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. W. M. Ponton. 70 Grand Jurisdictions are reviewed, among them Saskatchewan for 1935. The review is in great detail, almost everything of any importance in the proceedings being referred to. The writer wonders how M.W. Bro. Ponton finds the time to set out so accurately the proceedings of the many jurisdictions he reviews and desires to compliment him upon the industry and ability displayed in his work.

The Grand Master of Canada in Ontario, M.W. Bro. A. J. Anderson, was a visitor at the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan in June last in the City of Saskatoon. His presence there and the address he gave was much appreciated by the brethren of this jurisdiction.

COLORADO

76th Annual Communication at Denver, September 15th and 16th, 1936. Grand Master Kenneth O. Wood. Lodges 147. Members 30,444.

Loss 647. 16 Past Grand Masters were present and 135 of the 147 constituent lodges were represented. Among the distinguished visitors were the Grand Masters of Kansas, Nebraska, New Mexico and Oklahoma. 56 Grand Jurisdictions were represented, among them Saskatchewan by M.W. Bro. Casper S. Desch.

The Grand Orator, R.W. Bro. Benjamin C. Hilliard delivered an address in which he referred to a number of outstanding men in the history of the United States and to the history of the Grand Lodge of Colorado during its 76 years. He referred at length to the sobering and dignifying influence of Masonry in every community.

The year was one of encouragement. There were 21% more initiates than in 1935. Suspensions however still continued although in most lodges no member is suspended without a thorough examination of his desire to remain. In comparison with other jurisdictions suspensions in Colorado are not large and amounted to only 2% of the membership for the year.

The total expenditure for relief exceeded \$20,000.00. The total value of the securities in the fund is \$220,000.00.

The Grand Secretary, William W. Cooper, passed away on November 16th, 1935. He had been Grand Secretary since 1921. The proceedings contain a memorial to him in which it is stated that the words "distinguished Mason" were never more truthfully applied than to him. He was an extensive Masonic Student for many years and his knowledge was of great value to the Grand Lodge. Bro. C. A. Patton has been appointed Grand Secretary in his stead.

M.W. Bro. William S. Pickerill, Grand Master in 1913, passed away on January the 15th, 1936, and the Grand Lodge lost one of its most active and useful members.

The Review of Correspondence is by W.M. Bro. Stanley C. Warner. 63 jurisdictions are reviewed. In a foreword Bro. Warner refers to the liquor question, suspensions, life membership and Masonic homes. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1936 are very kindly dealt with. There are references to the address of the Grand Master, to the Benevolent Fund and to the report of the Committee on Foreign Relations.

CONNECTICUT

148th Annual Communication at Hartford, February 5th, 1936. Grand Master Ernest L. Prann. Lodges 128. Members 38,285. Loss 1,439. A Special Communication was held at Hartford on April 29th, 1935, for the purpose of approving and adopting the Act changing the name of the Grand Lodge and amending its charter. The name has been changed from "The Grand Lodge of the State of Connecticut" to "The Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Connecticut."

15 Past Grand Masters were present at the Annual Communication, and all the lodges, 128 in number, were represented. Among the distinguished visitors were the Grand Masters of Maine, Rhode Island and New Jersey.

The Grand Master visited many of the lodges during the year particularly the smaller ones. Two of those he visited had not been favoured by a visit of the Grand Master for more than 30 years. He also visited the Grand Lodges of New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Pennsylvania.

On September 21st, 1935, "Grand Master's Day" was celebrated at the Masonic Home. A program was given for the entertainment of the residents in the Home and an opportunity given the visitors to spend

most of their time with them. At the end of the year there were 214 residents in the Home and 65 were being cared for outside. In addition 111 boys and girls were being maintained. The Endowment Fund is valued at \$501,000.00.

During the year "Fifty Year Buttons" were procured which are supplied to the lodges at their expense. The call for the buttons has been most gratifying and the Grand Master referred to one lodge which he visited where five of the buttons were formally presented to brethren who had been Masons for 50 years or more.

The Grand Master appealed to the lodges for contributions to instal a moving picture in the Masonic Home for the entertainment of guests. The response was most generous and it appears that the moving picture will soon be installed.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington in February, 1935, and was much pleased with the constructive discussions which there took place.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to the prevalence of lotteries. He pointed out that Masonry has always stood for the highest and best in every phase of life and stated that Temple Associations and organizations whose membership is limited to Masons continue to sponsor lotteries, raffles and games of chance. In his opinion this is a direct violation of the rules of Grand Lodge.

The Committee on Correspondence recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge of Rio de Janeiro but advised that recognition be denied to the Grand Lodge of Colombia at Bogota on the ground that recognition had already been given to the Grand Lodge of Colombia at Barranquilla and that recognition should not be given to another Grand Lodge in the same territory.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. G. A. Kies. In a foreword Bro. Kies states that he is cutting down the review and quotes very little from other reviews. He expresses the opinion that as a result Connecticut readers are the losers. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1935 are given very kindly reference.

COSTA RICA

There are 7 lodges in this jurisdiction with a total membership of 297 on December, 31st, 1935. On December 31st, 1934 the membership was 298. The finances are in sound position there being a substantial balance in the General Fund. The Grand Master is Emiliano Castro-Castro. The Grand Representative for Saskatchewan is Brother Alexander Murray. The 36th Annual Communication was held at San Jose on November 29th, 1935.

DELAWARE

131st Annual Communication at Wilmington, October 6th, 7th and 8th, 1936. Grand Master Harris Samonsky. Lodges 22. Members 5,625. Loss 108. A Special Communication was held at Newark on June 6th, 1936, for the purpose of laying the corner stone of the Chemistry Building of the University of Delaware.

16 Past Grand Masters were present at the Annual Communication and 50 Grand Jurisdictions were represented, among them Saskatchewan by Brother John F. Robinson. 19 lodges were represented. Among the distinguished visitors were the Grand Masters of Massachusetts, New Jersey and Maryland. The Grand Master reported that he had officially visited all the lodges and that on the occasion of each visitation he was accompanied by many of the Grand Lodge officers.

M.W. Bro. Edward B. Mode, Past Grand Master, and for many years president of the Masonic Home, passed away during the year. M.W. Bro. William M. Mask, Past Grand Master, also passed away. M.W. Bro. Mask had been actively interested in the Masonic Home, and the Grand Master paid tribute to the memory of both these brethren and spoke of the great loss suffered by their removal.

The Grand Master made reference to the matter of remission of dues and stated that he did not believe that one member of the Craft in Delaware had been suspended for non-payment of dues except where fully justified. Each lodge had done its part to keep the members in good standing. He also made reference to the subject of life memberships and the loss which Grand Lodge suffers in these cases.

The revenue for the maintenance of the Masonic Home amounted to \$20,200.00 and the expenditure for the year was \$17,802.00. The balance in the General Account showed a slight increase.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported that applications for recognition had been received from several jurisdictions in South America but stated that it would not be advisable at the present time to extend fraternal recognition.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Thomas J. Day, Past Grand Master. 73 jurisdictions are reviewed among them Saskatchewan for 1936. Kindly reference was made to the address of the Grand Master, the Report of the Grand Secretary and the Report of the Committee on Foreign Relations.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

126th Annual Communication at Washington, December 16th, 1936. Grand Master Otto B. Roepke. Lodges 45. Members 20,410. Loss 76. A Special Communication was held on February 19th, 1936, for the purpose of celebrating the 125th Anniversary of the formation of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia. There was a musical programme and this was followed by addresses by the Deputy Grand Master R.W. Bro. Paul B. Cromelin and M.W. Bro. J. Claude Keiper, in which they traced the history of the Grand Lodge throughout the years. A Stated Communication was held on May 13th, 1936. There was a Special Communication on October 31st, 1936, for the purpose of laying the corner stone of the Congress Heights Methodist Episcopal Church.

At the Annual Communication 12 Past Grand Masters were present and all 45 of the Constituent lodges were represented. Distinguished visitors were the Grand Masters of Virginia and West Virginia.

The Grand Master in referring to the condition of Masonry noted the substantial improvement in conditions and commented upon the very small loss in membership. There was a substantial increase in the number of initiates and a decrease in the number suspended for non-payment of dues. He also spoke of the increased attendance at lodge communications and many evidences of renewed interest.

The financial condition of the lodges has improved, the cash balances reported exceeding the balances for the previous year by \$25,000.00.

The Grand Master visited the jurisdictions of Virginia, North Carolina, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and West Virginia pursuant to the express wish of Grand Lodge that he visit the neighbouring jurisdictions. The Temple Heights project involving an expenditure of \$3,220,000.00. has not progressed during the past few years and the Grand Master stated that only \$829,000.00 had yet been paid on account of the cost of the projected temple. He recommended a discontinuance of the project and the appointment of a committee to negotiate the sale of the property.

Extended reference was made to the Conference of Grand Masters, the Grand Master speaking at length on the interesting agenda which included many subjects to the interest of the Fraternity. He stated that the addresses given were of more than ordinary value and that the information conveyed was of material assistance in many parts of the country.

The Grand Master spoke of the George Washington Masonic Memorial and reported that during the last year the marble work in the Memorial Hall had been completed and thus one of the features had been removed which produced an undesirable effect upon visitors.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. James A. West, Past Grand Master. In a foreword Bro. West refers to the condition of the Craft and thinks there is an improvement financially among the jurisdictions and a hopeful outlook for the future. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1936 are given very kindly reference.

FLORIDA

107th Annual Communication at Jacksonville, April 21st, 22nd, and 23rd, 1936. Grand Master Harry G. Taylor. Lodges 227. Members 20,300. Loss 635. 11 Past Grand Masters were present and 41 Grand Jurisdictions were represented. 207 of the constituent lodges were represented.

The Grand Master in his visitations during the year endeavoured to impress upon the brethren the necessity of their assuming civic leadership and thus exemplifying a type of citizenship expected of Masons by their devotion to duty. He is of the opinion that a better spirit generally exists in the various jurisdictions despite the decrease in members but he states that the problem of financing charities undertaken when revenues were at their peak is causing serious concern to many Grand Lodges.

In referring to the membership the Grand Master stated that the Grand Lodge of Florida is now more than one-third off its peak membership. In order to make provision for necessary financing the per capita tax has been raised and some activities have been discontinued in order to provide for the Masonic Home. Generally the financial position of the lodges improved during the year but a number are still in difficulty.

M.W. Bro. Elmer Haskell, Grand Master in 1907-08, passed away on February 19th, 1936. A Special Communication was held at Palatka for the purpose of attending his funeral. The Grand Master paid a tribute to the deceased Grand Master stating that the Fraternity is indebted to him for long, faithful and efficient service in almost all the activities of Grand Lodge. The proceedings contain a memorial to the distinguished brother.

There are at present 109 residents in the Masonic Home and 38 persons are being provided for outside. The cost of maintenance, including the amount expended on outside assistance, was approximately \$50,000.00. An appropriation of \$48,000.00 was made for the ensuing year.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Wallace R. Cheves. In a foreword Bro. Cheves states that there is still a downward trend in Masonic membership throughout the world and that many jurisdictions are 30 to 40 per cent from the high tide of membership, and while he thinks this is not an unmixed blessing, he thinks it a serious matter on account of charity commitments. He also refers to the George Washington Memorial on which \$4,000,000.00 have already been spent and to complete it \$1,500,000.00 are still required. Originally it was intended to spend \$1,000,000.00. He is of the opinion that the extension of the original plans and cost was unwise. He notes one Grand Master as saying,

"It may take another decade, or generation even, to finish it but it will be done."

Among the jurisdictions reviewed are the proceedings of Saskatchewan for 1935. Reference is made to the ruling of the Grand Master on the case of an expulsion from Assiniboia Lodge No. 49. The Grand Master ruled that as the case was dealt with by Grand Lodge without any action having been taken by Assiniboia Lodge, and Grand Lodge having restored the expelled brother, he was thereby restored to membership in Assiniboia Lodge without further action being necessary on the part of the lodge. The Committee on the Grand Master's Address and Jurisprudence stated that with this ruling they did not agree. Brother Cheves states that he is inclined to agree with the ruling of the Grand Master. For the information of Bro. Cheves it should be stated that there is some difference of opinion on the subject in this jurisdiction.

GEORGIA

150th Annual Communication at Macon, October 27th and 28th, 1936. Grand Master Abit Nix. Lodges 529. Members 40,771. Loss 1,488. Among the distinguished visitors was M.W. Bro. Joseph E. Hart, Grand Master of South Carolina. 10 Past Grand Masters were present.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and thinks it a most helpful meeting and considers it is one that the Grand Secretary should attend.

The Masonic Home required additional funds during the year and the Grand Master appealed to the lodges for support. Generous help was accorded. The Masonic Home has materially reduced expenditures for it appears that in 1935 the expenditure was \$30,700.00 as compared with \$63,500.00 in 1931.

The charters of two lodges were arrested during the year and four charters were surrendered.

M.W. Bro. N. H. Ballard, Past Grand Master, passed away on February 10th, 1936. The Grand Master paid tribute to his memory stating that few men had contributed more to Masonry. Past Grand Master Maymund Daniel spoke at length of the splendid services of this distinguished Mason.

The Educational Fund has an amount exceeding \$26,000.00 outstanding in loans to students, collections on the loans were \$3,660.00 and new loans were made amounting to \$2,580.00. M.W. Bro. Robert McMillan is Grand Master for 1936-37. There is no Review of Correspondence.

IDAHO

70th Annual Communication at Pocatello, September 8th, 9th and 10th, 1936. Grand Master Louis R. Scott. Lodges 81. Members 8,891. Loss 244. 17 Past Grand Masters were present and 47 Grand Jurisdictions were represented. 76 out of the 81 constituent lodges were represented. The Roll of Grand Representatives was called and they were welcomed by the Grand Master.

The Master of a lodge was removed during the year on the ground that he did not possess a certificate of proficiency. The Grand Master investigated the matter and asked the District Deputy Grand Master to remove the Master and place in his stead the immediate Past Master. In reporting on the subject to Grand Lodge the Grand Master stated that he regretted very much the necessity of taking the step but that it was done in a charitable manner and in accordance with the constitution.

A Special Communication was held at Shoshone on May 12th, 1936, for the purpose of dedicating the Temple of Bethany Lodge No. 21.

This Grand Lodge enacted a new law providing for automatic suspension when a member is in arrears with his dues for two years. The purpose of the law is to force a settlement of some kind either by payment of dues in some way acceptable to the lodge or by the remission of the dues.

The General Fund is in a sound position there being a surplus in the operations for the year. There is an Orphan Fund of \$179,000.00.

The loss in membership was 244 as compared with 327 last year and 680 degrees were conferred as compared with 534 last year.

All 50-year Masons present were conducted to the Altar and introduced individually to Grand Lodge.

The Special Committee on Grand Lodge recognition recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge of Guatemala. This Committee also submitted their report on standards for recognition. The standards adopted are similar to those adopted by the Grand Lodge of England.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence in reporting on events in other jurisdictions stated that improved conditions existed throughout the Masonic world, that losses in membership were not so large as in former years, that there was an increase in petitions for membership, and a large number of applications for reinstatement.

ILLINOIS

97th Annual Communication at Chicago, October 13th and 14th, 1936. Lodges 1,000. Members 218,069. Loss 10,400. 10 Past Grand Masters were present. At 9 o'clock in the morning preceding the opening of Grand Lodge an entertainment was provided in the form of an organ recital and vocal numbers by the Oxford male quartette of Chicago.

In presenting his report the Grand Master referred to social and economic changes which have come about throughout the years and emphasized the fact that Masonry has not changed and that it teaches to-day as always faith in God, hope in immortality and in the future, and bright promise for good-will and a social conscience among men. The tenets of Masonry to-day are as inspiring and effective in developing the souls of men as they were in the far off times when they were first promulgated.

The Grand Master stated that he missed no opportunity during the year to be present on the occasion of the presentation of 50-year buttons to the elder brethren who have served the fraternity for 50 years or more.

A Code prohibiting participation of Masons in lotteries, raffles etc. is now, according to the Grand Master, quite generally respected in the Grand Jurisdiction. Such enterprises have been discontinued and the dignity of the institution is thus being preserved.

The Grand Master reported that while in a few communities the fraternity was somewhat discredited financially by reason of ill-timed optimism of former years there is evidence that it is becoming re-established in general approval.

M.W. Bro. Leroy A. Goddard, Grand Master in 1893-94, passed away on January 22nd, 1936. The proceedings contain a portrait and memorial to this distinguished brother.

The total dues collected amounted to \$259,096.00. In all the funds of Grand Lodge there is a total in cash and securities of \$1,538,645.00. The maintenance of the Orphan's Home at La Grange cost \$120,000.00 and that of the Masonic Home at Sullivan \$115,000.00.

The representatives of 60 Grand Jurisdictions were present. They were assembled at the Altar and welcomed by the Grand Master who

stated that he was happy to say that Illinois was in fraternal accord with all the Jurisdictions represented. Saskatchewan was represented by Bro. William C. Rapp.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Elmer C. Beach. In a foreword Bro. Beach refers to the serious conditions facing some Grand Lodges in meeting their fixed charges and in discharging inescapable obligations. He also referred at length to the subject of suspensions and stressed the need of making every effort to retain members.

The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1936 are very fully and very kindly reviewed.

INDIANA

119th Annual Communication at Indianapolis, May 26th and 27th, 1936. Grand Master Rudolf H. Horst. Lodges 556. Members 110,297. Loss 3,648. 17 Past Grand Masters were present and 542 out of the 556 lodges were represented. 43 Grand Jurisdictions were represented, among them Saskatchewan by Bro. Harry B. Tuthill.

The Grand Master reported that Freemasonry in Indiana is undergoing a great revival and that it will not be long until full recovery is made from the inroads into the membership brought about by the business collapse of 1929.

Two Past Grand Masters passed away during the year, M.W. Bro. Robert W. Phillips and M.W. Bro. John L. Dinwoodie. Special Communications of Grand Lodge were held for the purpose of conducting the funerals and the proceedings contain memorials to these distinguished brothers. Six Communications were held during the year for the purpose of laying the corner stones of public buildings. The Grand Master expressed satisfaction because of the dignity, impressiveness and skill demonstrated by the officers in performing these ceremonies.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington in February, 1936, and reported that it was one of the most pleasant duties he had performed during his year of office. He thinks the Conference is of most vital interest to the Craft in the United States. He delivered an address at the Conference on the subject, "The Masonic Attitude towards Subversive Activities; the Growing Menace of Communism and our Duty to Educate Our Brethren as to the imminence of this un-American Doctrine". The address which he delivered is contained in full in the proceedings and is of great interest because before delivering it M.W. Bro. Horst communicated with all the Grand Masters in the United States and with some in Canada.

The Grand Master cautioned the brethren against addresses in lodges on political questions stating that addresses of this character had been delivered in some of the lodges.

The General Fund is in sound position there being a surplus in the operations of the year. The dues of 5,817 members were remitted in the year. The maintenance of the Masonic Home cost \$128,000.00 of which amount \$103,000.00 came from the per capita tax. There is a surplus of \$193,000.00 in the Maintenance Fund and the Endowment Fund amounts to \$613,000.00.

M.W. Bro. Thomas J. Wilson is Grand Master for 1936-37.

There is no review of correspondence.

IOWA

93rd Annual Communication at Davenport, June 9th and 10th, 1936. Grand Master John T. Ames. Lodges 552. Members 69,056. Loss 2,342. Prior to the opening of Grand Lodge public exercises were held. In

connection with the International Flag Ceremony, 26 Grand Lodges responded and since then 4 others were received, namely, from Sao Paulo, Chile, Cuba and Western Australia. These four flags were presented and displayed in Grand Lodge. This ceremony was followed by the presentation of the American Flag and an address by Bro. Albert Block on the Symbolism of the Flag and the attitude of the people towards it. The Mayor of the City of Davenport then extended a welcome and the Grand Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star was presented and addressed the assembly.

14 Past Grand Masters were present and distinguished visitors were M.W. Bro. H. C. McLoud, Grand Master of Illinois, and M.W. Bro. James H. Skelly, Grand Master of Missouri. 492 constituent lodges were represented. The Grand Master stated that he had considered an essential part of the program for the year the payment of debts and getting back on a sound financial basis. He intimated that for years he had been caused much misgiving owing to the growing tendency of Masons to regard lightly their obligation with respect to lodge dues. He also referred to the non-payment of Grand Lodge dues and stated that in 1933 Grand Lodge dues in the amount of \$74,000.00 were in arrears and that this had been reduced in 1935 to \$12,542.00 and in 1936 to \$7,664.00. The efforts made during the past three years to have all the lodges pay the arrears met with most happy results. With few exceptions the constituent lodges now appear to be in a good financial position.

The proceedings contain a photograph of the Louis Block Memorial Library in the Masonic Temple at Davenport. This library was made possible owing to the fact that the widow of the late Past Grand Master Louis Block donated his Masonic Library for the purpose.

This Grand Lodge maintains a travelling library system. During the year 49 lodges were supplied with travelling libraries containing a total of 924 books.

The Committee on State Hospitals reported an active year in the visitation of patients. The representative of the Committee visited the hospitals almost daily and made from four to six visits each day.

The Grand Charity Fund amounts to \$690,000.00. The securities are in good condition as on May 1st, 1936, there was not a dollar of either principal or interest in arrears. During the year \$53,226.00 was appropriated for charitable purposes.

The Review of Correspondence is by R.W. Bro. Harry H. Palmer. In a foreword Bro. Palmer pays tribute to the work of the late Bro. Louis A. Block who passed away in 1935 and for many years was one of the most able of Masonic reviewers. Saskatchewan's proceedings for 1935 are very fully reviewed with extracts from the address of the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. T. W. Sutherland, and reference is made to the reports of the Committees on the Condition of Masonry and Masonic Education.

IRELAND

Grand Master the Rt. Hon. The Earl of Donoughmore.

At the St. John's day meeting in 1936 the R.W. Deputy Grand Master Raymond F. Brooke, stated that in the Provincial Grand Lodges throughout the world there was a note of confidence such as had not been experienced during the last few years. He made reference to the outstanding event of the year as the Bi-Centenary of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, which was celebrated in Edinburgh on St. Andrew's day when His Royal Highness the Duke of York, now His Majesty King George VI, was installed as Grand Master Mason. The Deputy Grand Master stated

that this ceremony was a most impressive one and that the Grand Master Mason was installed with all the ancient ceremony and ritual perfectly carried out and with a precision fitting the occasion. The Irish representatives were particularly gratified when the Grand Master of Ireland was called upon to propose the toast to the Grand Master Mason and the Grand Lodge of Scotland.

The Deputy Grand Master also referred to the reports of the Provincial Grand Masters stating that they were full of hope for the future and indicated the activity of the lodges all over Ireland. A welcome visitor was the Provincial Deputy Grand Master of the South Cape Province, Bro. Major Fenton.

Extended reference was made to the subject of charities, not only the three great charities (the schools and the annuity fund) which are generally looked upon as the work of the Grand Lodge, but to others in some of the provinces. The Deputy Grand Master pointed out that in New Zealand the brethren had Alms Houses. In the Southern Cape a great deal of work is done among orphans, and in the Provinces of Down and Antrim there are funds established for the help of widows and orphans.

R.W. Bro. Phillip M. Streit, District General Inspector for Shanghai, visited the Grand Lodge at its communication of June 4th, 1936. The reports from the various provincial Grand Lodges in Ireland, South Africa, New Zealand and China are most interesting and encouraging and indicate the wide-spread influence of the Grand Lodge of Ireland.

KENTUCKY

136th Annual Communication at Louisville. October 19th, 20th and 21st, 1936. Grand Master Hugh Moore. Lodges 529. Members 43,191. Loss 998. A Special Communication was held on June 13th, 1936, for the purpose of conducting the funeral of M.W. Bro. Edward C. Day, Past Grand Master of Montana, who died at San Diego, California. A Special Communication was also held at Irvine on September 22nd, 1936, for the purpose of dedicating the new Temple of Irvine Lodge No. 137.

26 Past Grand Masters were present at the Annual Communication. In referring to the condition of the Order the Grand Master said that nothing had disturbed the peace and harmony throughout the year. He stated that Kentucky ranked tenth in number of lodges and 17 in number of Masons among the States. The average membership of the lodges is 80 and he favours the small lodge. He spoke of life memberships and thinks that the practice is not in the best interests of Masonry as it results in financial difficulties. Some of the lodges have from 10% to 30% of their membership life members. He recommended that the Committee on Jurisprudence consider the subject and submit a regulation forbidding the remission of dues of life members.

There is an Endowment Fund of \$2,214,000.00 for the Widows' and Orphans' Home and of \$31,869.00 for the Old Masons' Home.

M.W. Bro. Joseph H. Cowles, Past Grand Master, represented the Grand Lodge at a special meeting of the Grand Lodge of Sweden at Stockholm in November, 1936, and also at the celebration of the 200th Anniversary of the Grand Lodge of Scotland at Edinburgh. The Educational Trustees disbursed a sum of \$8,300.00 in grants to children to enable them to attend school.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. G. Allison Holland, Past Grand Master. 63 jurisdictions are reviewed, among them the Saskatchewan proceedings for 1935.

LOUISIANA

125th Annual Communication at New Orleans, February 3rd, 4th and 5th, 1936. Grand Master Philip Lieber. Lodges 252. Members 21,507. Loss 595. 16 Past Grand Masters were present and 216 lodges were represented. M.W. Bro. Lee E. Thomas, the Grand Secretary passed away during the year. The deceased brother had been connected with the Grand Lodge of Louisiana for 35 years. He wielded a great influence among Masons in the State and even outside the jurisdiction. The Grand Master paid an extended tribute to the life and work of this distinguished Mason and citizen.

Considerable difficulty was occasioned during the year in the matter of financing the Grand Lodge Hall. On March 1st, 1935, it was found impossible to make the payment on the mortgage and an effort was made to refinance the debt which amounted to \$1,207,000.00. This was found impossible and an effort was made for a rearrangement of payments with the bondholders. This was successfully brought about and it is now hoped that payments can be regularly made to discharge the debt on the building. A Special assessment is made to meet the obligation and the sum of \$202,601.00 was paid during the year into the Temple Fund.

The Grand Master spoke of some of the brethren leading the lodges into forbidden realms of discussion and referred to the fact that he had requested one of the lodges to cancel an address which had been arranged on the subject, "The Conflict between the Mexican Government and the Catholic Church."

The Grand Master was unable to attend the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington on account of the death of the Grand Secretary. He visited no other jurisdictions on account of the expense with the exception of Texas and this he did because Louisiana 100 years ago chartered the first lodge in Texas. Out of \$2,000.00 appropriated for his expenses he donated \$1,000.00 to the Masonic Home at Alexandria.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to the excessive granting of life memberships by some of the lodges thereby relieving the members from payment of dues while the Grand Lodge assessments must still be paid. The effect upon the income of many of the lodges is serious and the Grand Master advised that life membership be granted only upon payment of a certain number of years' dues in advance.

Bro. Peter Laguens, the Acting Grand Secretary, in submitting his report, stated that there was an improvement in the jurisdiction and that the time was not far distant when a gain in membership would be reported. In his report he included a statistical table showing the loss in the United States in the years from 1931 to 1935 inclusive. The total loss in five years he placed at 538,415.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence in reporting referred to the fact that last year Grand Lodge decided that the printing of the report of the Committee be dispensed with in order to save expense. No applications for recognition were received during the year and it is stated that Louisiana has recognized more jurisdictions in Latin America than any other state with the possible exception of Kentucky. Louisiana is in fraternal relations with a number of Grand Lodges in Mexico, a number in Brazil, and with San Salvador, Cuba and Honduras.

On January 1st, 1936, there were 87 children in the Masonic Home at Alexandria. The trustees in their report referred to the serious financial condition owing to decreased membership and a resultant decreased revenue. It has been found impossible to admit all the children who should be cared for and a decision has been reached to limit the number to 75. The revenue, however, exceeded the operating expenses not including depreciation.

LOUISIANA

121st Annual Communication at New Orleans, February 1st, 1937. Grand Master Robert F. Kennon. Lodges 251. Members 20,947. Loss 659. 14 Past Grand Masters were present and 219 constituent lodges were represented. This Grand Lodge was called upon to mourn the passing of the Grand Treasurer, Bro. Samuel G. Gainsburg. Two Past Grand Masters also passed away during the year, M.W. Bro. Phillip G. Ricks and M.W. Bro. J. Paul Holler.

The Grand Master expressed the opinion that the Fraternity generally was in a healthy condition and that better business conditions would react to the betterment of Masonry. As the result of this he thinks that the Fraternity will have greater freedom to devote itself more attentively to its mission of instilling and cultivating ideals.

On August the 9th, 1936, the members of the New Orleans lodges were invited to visit the Masonic Home for Children at Alexandria. A large number responded and a most interesting time was enjoyed in meeting the inmates of the Home and those who are in charge of it. The Grand Master reported a growing interest in the Home and he hopes for gifts to it on the part of Masons who are in a position to help it. There were 90 children in the Home on January the 1st, 1937.

The Grand Secretary reported only a few lodges delinquent in the payment of dues. In referring to the loss in membership he spoke of a better spirit prevailing and he looks forward to a brighter day in the near future. The Committee on Foreign Correspondence recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge of Vienna and the Grand Lodge Rio Grande de Sul (Brazil). The report of this committee contains much interesting material as to Masonry throughout the world. The information is both statistical and with reference to the activities of Masonry in many countries. To all those who are interested in world Masonry the writer commends the report of this Committee.

MAINE

117th Annual Communication at Portland, May 5th, 6th and 7th, 1936. Grand Master Clark D. Chapman. Lodges 207. Members 37,742. Loss 1,259. Special communications were held for the purpose of dedicating the Temples of Bagaduce Lodge No. 210 and Lygonia Lodge No. 40. All nine living Past Grand Masters were present at the Annual Communication, also representatives from 193 out of the 207 lodges. As to the condition of Masonry, the Grand Master reported a period of renewed interest; the number of initiates increased, lodge attendance had improved and there were 400 less suspensions for non-payment of dues than in the preceding year.

The Grand Master visited one or more of the lodges in each of the 26 Masonic districts and reported a uniformly good attendance at the meetings. He found that very few of the lodges now serve suppers at the expense of the lodge and approved of the discontinuance of this practice.

On August 23rd, 1935, the Grand Master issued a proclamation calling upon the brethren of each lodge to assemble in Special Communication on October 23rd and to participate in a ceremony of re-obligation and reconsecration to Freemasonry. The District Deputy Grand Master of each district was made responsible for the meetings of the lodges in his district and nearly every lodge in the State conformed with the proclamation.

During the year questionnaires were sent to the Master of each lodge requesting information as to income and expenditure, members in

arrears, etc. It was found that 63 lodges had sufficient revenues from dues and other sources to pay the annual cost of operation without using any fees from candidates to balance their accounts and 44 had insufficient revenue and still had a deficit after using the fees from candidates.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington in the month of February, 1936, and delivered an address on "The Place of the Social Club in the Lodge."

The Committee on Returns reported a loss in membership of 1,259 and stated that this was the sixth year that a loss has been reported in the last 36 years.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence recommended that recognition be extended to the United Grand Lodge of Queensland, the Grand Lodge of Sweden, the Grand Lodge of Norway and the Grand Lodge Lessing of the Three Rings (Czecho-Slovakia.)

A distinguished visitor was M.W. Bro. Claude L. Allen, Grand Master of Massachusetts, who briefly addressed Grand Lodge. He referred to the fact that the Grand Lodge of Maine is "A baby" of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts. In 1819, when it became apparent that Maine was about to become a separate State, the lodges in Maine, 33 in number, which had been chartered by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts from 1762 to 1820, applied to the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts for permission to set up a separate Grand Lodge in Maine.

In the Summer of 1935 Grand officers of Maine, including Grand Master Butler, attended the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia and were presented with the flag of Nova Scotia by the Grand Master M.W. Bro. Reginald V. Harris. In presenting the flag a history of it was given. Nova Scotia is the only province in Canada and the first colony of Great Britain to have a distinctive flag of its own. The flag is a blue St. Andrew's Cross on a white field and bears the royal arms of Scotland. It dates back to the time of King James I of England who authorized the establishing of a colony comprising the present three maritime provinces of Canada and parts of Quebec and Maine.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Ashley A. Smith. 51 jurisdictions are reviewed among them the Saskatchewan proceedings for 1935. There is a reference to the death of two Past Grand Masters, M.W. Bro. William Hopkins and M.W. Bro. Duncan A. Kingsbury, and a quotation from the address of the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. T. W. Sutherland. In a foreword Bro. Smith refers to the controversy in the United States as to the true interpretation of the American Constitution and states both view points, namely, "Back to the Constitution" and "Forward with the Constitution". He also outlines the history of events leading up to the adoption of the Constitution and refers to it as "The Ancient Landmark."

MANITOBA

61st Annual Communication at Winnipeg on June 10th and 11th, 1936. Grand Master Royal Burritt. Lodges 106. Members 11,066. Loss 276. An Emergent Communication was held at Brandon on September 23rd, 1935 for the purpose of laying the corner stone of the new Masonic Temple.

Among the distinguished visitors at the Annual Communication were R.W. Bro. Charles W. Pollock, Senior Grand Warden of North Dakota, M.W. Bro. J. R. Yorke, Grand Master of Saskatchewan, and M.W. Bro. Frank H. Copus, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario. 15 Past Grand Masters were present and 42 Grand Jurisdictions were represented.

The Grand Master sent a message of sympathy and condolence to the members of the Royal Family on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba on the occasion of the death of His Majesty King George V.

A Special Committee was appointed at the last communication to secure additional funds for the benevolent activities. The Grand Master expressed satisfaction with the response and made special reference to a contribution received from R.W. Bro. J. Obed Smith on behalf of Canada Lodge in London, England, and in doing so he spoke of the abounding hospitality extended by Canada Lodge to many brethren in this country particularly to those who served overseas twenty years ago. In his visitations to the various lodges the Grand Master was impressed by the continued expressions of regret at the passing of the late Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. James A. Ovas. During the year the Grand Master attended the annual communications of three sister grand lodges, Saskatchewan, Canada in Ontario and Quebec.

The Committee on the Condition of Masonry reported that considering conditions the Craft appears to be making steady progress and is exercising a splendid influence on the character and minds of its members. There were 3,436 members in arrears with their dues, a decrease of 274 when compared with last year. More than 25% of the membership are in arrears.

There is a Benevolent Fund of about \$235,000.00. During the year the sum of \$10,754.00 was dispersed by the Committee in charge of the Fund.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. H. M. Kerr. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1935 are given very kindly reference.

MARYLAND

150th Annual Communication at Baltimore, November 17th and 18th, 1936. Grand Master Harry B. Wright. Lodges 122. Members 29,856. Loss 750. A Special Communication was held in Baltimore in January, 1936, for the purpose of extending a welcome to Bro. Carl H. Claudy, Executive Secretary of the Masonic Service Association who had come to Baltimore to present before the Grand Lodge two Masonic Plays of which he is the author.

A Semi-Annual Communication was held on May the 19th, 1936. The Grand Master commented upon the decrease in membership but expressed the opinion that there were many encouraging signs. He spoke of the Masonic Home, of its great possibilities and of the privilege of contributing to its support.

The proceedings contain several very interesting pictures of the new Grand Lodge rooms and other apartments of the Masonic Temple. From these pictures one can form some estimate of what must be a very beautiful building.

At the Annual Communication in November, 1936, a reception was accorded to the Past Grand Masters present. The Grand Lodge officiated at the laying of the corner stones of five public buildings during the year.

The Grand Secretary in reporting a loss in membership gave statistics comparing the situation in 1936 with that in 1935 showing that more degrees were conferred in 1936 than 1935. 94 lodges conferred degrees while 28 conferred none. The Grand Lecturer presented some very interesting facts as to the history and development of the Grand Lodge which was organized on April 17th, 1787, by five lodges on the Eastern Shore which had been warranted by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. It was there resolved that the five lodges should form the Grand Lodge of Mary-

land independent of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania and John Coats was chosen the first Grand Master. The birth of the Grand Lodge, therefore, corresponded with that of the great Republic. From this small beginning it has grown until to-day its membership is approximately 30,000.

MASSACHUSETTS

Grand Master Claude L. Allen. Lodges 330. Members 110,334. There was a loss in membership but the writer cannot ascertain from the proceedings exactly what it was. Quarterly communications were held on March 13th, June 12th, September 11th and December 11th, 1935. At the Quarterly Communication in March the Grand Master reported that he had attended the Annual Communications of the Grand Lodges of Connecticut and Virginia. He also attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and stated that the Conference was of much interest furnishing as it does a forum for the discussion of problems common to all jurisdictions.

He made reference to suspensions for non-payment of dues, saying that he was greatly disturbed at the rapidly increasing numbers of suspensions from membership. In 1934 the total was 2,875. He counselled the exercise of great care in suspending brethren on account of temporary financial embarrassment.

He referred to the work being done in the Masonic Home and Hospital and asked that members of the lodges be encouraged to visit the Home and familiarize themselves with these branches of benevolent activity.

The Grand Master advised that efforts be made during the year in the lodges of instruction to concentrate upon the following plan:

(1) To provide adequate instruction for candidates. (2) To provide interesting and instructive programmes for enlightenment in matters Masonic. (3) To provide for the instruction of lodge officers in the non-ritualistic duties of their respective officers and (4) To provide increased opportunities for social intercourse between members of different lodges.

A Special Communication was held at Marble Head on March 17th and 19th, 1935, to celebrate the 175th Anniversary of Philanthropic Lodge. There were also Special Communications, at Falmouth on May 24th for the purpose of laying the corner stone of the temple of Morino Lodge, at Newton on June 5th to observe the 75th Anniversary of Dalhousie Lodge, and at Pittsfield on June 17th for the purpose of celebrating the 125th Anniversary of Mystic Lodge.

At the Quarterly Communication on September 11th, the Grand Master made reference to the death of Lord Amptill, the Pro Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England, stating that his death terminated a life of great devotion and very distinguished service to the Craft and that his devotion to Masonry was only second to that which he gave to King and country.

The Grand Master also referred to his visit to the 80th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario in July, 1935, and spoke very highly of the kindness extended to him. He referred in complimentary terms to an address given by M.W. Bro. Ponton, the representative of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts near the Grand Lodge of Canada.

The Grand Master made extended reference to the need of prompt payment of Grand Lodge dues of \$2.00 per member in order to maintain the activities of Grand Lodge, particularly those of a benevolent character.

During the year he instructed the district deputies to interview the officers of the various lodges where there was delinquency in an effort to procure collection.

At the Stated Communication on December 27th, M.W. Bro. Claude L. Allen was installed as Grand Master for the year 1936.

A memorial was read to the late M.W. Bro. Curtis Chipman who died on October 9th, 1935, aged 59 years. The distinguished brother was Grand Master in 1932, 1933 and 1934, and was one of the most outstanding and best known Masons in the United States. Indeed, his reputation extended to Canada and England where he represented the Masons of Massachusetts at the dedication of the Masonic Temple in London and acted as spokesman for the American delegations. The memorial, as it appears in the proceedings, contains the following:

"He has left all that a mortal man can hope to leave to posterity. A life well rounded in its usefulness and devotion to duty. A life that has left no stain upon his memory and a benediction to the friends who loved him."

MICHIGAN

92nd Annual Communication at Traverse City, May 26th and 27th, 1936. Grand Master Harvey A. Sherman. Lodges 508. Members 119,076. Loss 4,427. 19 Past Grand Masters were present and 51 Grand Jurisdictions were represented, among them Saskatchewan by Bro. Ira A. Beck. 456 lodges were represented, there being 53 without representation. Among the distinguished visitors was M.W. Bro. Dargavel, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario.

A civic welcome was extended to Grand Lodge by the Mayor, Bro. M. O. Champney. A Special Communication was held at Litchfield on July 5th, 1935, for the purpose of conducting the funeral of M.W. Bro. Fletcher E. Turrell, Past Grand Master. The service was conducted by M.W. Bro. L. B. Winsor in accordance with the wishes of the departed brother.

Three new Masonic Temples were dedicated during the year.

The Grand Master made extended reference to the question of lodges advertising lotteries, raffling matches, etc., for the purpose of raising money and pointed out that any Mason participating in any of these practices was guilty of un-Masonic conduct.

While he was attending the Masonic Relief Association at Fort Worth, Texas, the Grand Master visited the Children's Home in Texas and was much impressed with the care being given Masonic orphans. On his return he communicated with every Grand Master in the United States making enquiry as to how each jurisdiction cared for the orphans. He found a wide difference of opinion as to the importance of the institution when compared with outside relief. He recommended that the incoming Grand Master appoint a Committee to investigate conditions and report to the next Communication of Grand Lodge a plan for the care and education of Masonic orphans.

The finances appear to be in a sound position. There is a balance in the General Fund of \$128,000.00 and the Endowment Fund for the Masonic Home amounts to \$314,000.00. The cost of the Masonic Home was \$738,000.00 and the maintenance for the year amounted to \$59,000.00. There are 131 residents in the Home.

A Committee appointed at the last Communication in relation to subversive activities in the country made a lengthy report dealing with Communism, Nazi-ism and Fascism. As to Communism the conclusion

of the Committee was that it was a menace in the country and that it was the duty of every good citizen to protect, uphold and defend the government under which they live. The statistical tables presented by the Grand Secretary show that 4,518 members were suspended for non-payment of dues and that the dues of 7,381 members were remitted.

M.W. Bro. Neil B. Read is Grand Master for 1936-37.

MINNESOTA

83rd Annual Communication at St. Paul, January 15th and 16th, 1936. Grand Master Eugene G. McKeown. Lodges 307. Members 51,574. Loss 2,029. 17 Past Grand Masters were present and 46 Grand Jurisdictions were represented, among them Saskatchewan by Bro. William A. Elliott. 279 constituent lodges were represented.

Three Occasional Grand Lodges were held during the year for the purpose of laying the corner stones of public buildings.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington in February of 1935 and reported very fully as to the subjects discussed at the Conference. He was much impressed by the George Washington Masonic Memorial, which is still in an unfinished condition and is being completed only as funds are available. About \$4,000,000.00 has already been expended on the project.

The Grand Master made an extended reference to the Masonic Home and the Infirmary. He referred in high terms to the work of the Home Board and stated as to the Home that it is "the one great concrete, tangible, visible thing which Masonry is carrying on in the State."

At the beginning of the year a large amount of Grand Lodge dues was unpaid and an effort was made to have the delinquent lodges place themselves in good standing with the result that only a few are now in arrears. The Grand Master pointed out that in 46 jurisdictions the average Grand Lodge dues are \$1.75 with an average of \$1.15 allotted to the home in 36 states. In Minnesota the dues are \$1.50 with \$1.00 allotted to the Home. There were 160 residents in the Home on December 31st, 1935. There is an Endowment Fund of \$109,000.00. and a Maintenance Fund of \$219,000.00. The gross income for the year was \$75,708.00 and the expenditure \$67,193.00 leaving a net income, without depreciation, of \$8,515.00.

The Past Grand Masters, after the calling of the Roll, were received at the Altar and were welcomed by the Grand Master who paid a tribute to them for their activity in the affairs of the Craft.

The Committee on Fraternal Work at Rochester presented a very interesting report on activities carried on there among sick brethren by the representative of Grand Lodge. The report of the representative showed that he made over 10,000 calls on the sick in the year and extended many kindnesses to them.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. E. A. Montgomery. In a foreword Bro. Montgomery comments on the optimism which prevails among many of the jurisdictions. He refers to the fact that every jurisdiction in the United States which he reviewed except Mississippi continued to show losses in membership but he thinks that with better times and with a restoration of confidence these losses will cease. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1935 receive very full and very kindly reference.

MISSISSIPPI

118th Annual Communication at Jackson, February 11th and 12th, 1936. Grand Master Simon H. Rubel. Lodges 235. Members 20,430.

Loss 167. The Grand Master visited the Grand Lodges of Texas and Arkansas during the year. On May 13th, 1935, he laid the corner stone of the lodge building at Shelby. The charters of three lodges were arrested for failure to submit annual reports. The Grand Master stated that his most enjoyable duty had been in visiting the Masonic Homes. He spoke in the highest terms of the work being done by the boys and girls of deceased brethren. There are 93 girls in the Masonic Home for girls at Meridian, and 56 boys in the Home for boys at Columbia.

The Grand Secretary reported that lodges were in arrears on February 1st, 1936, in the amount of \$10,695.00 which was \$921.00 more than last year, but that after February 1st the sum of \$8,761.00 had been paid.

279 lodges were represented at the Communication. Grand Lodge adopted a resolution approving of the celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the adoption of the Constitution of the United States and pledged its unswerving devotion to the Constitution. The resolution also called upon all subordinate lodges to take due notice of the celebration and to observe it with suitable exercises.

With respect to the loss in membership of 167, disappointment was expressed, as an increase of 319 was shown last year. It appears, however, that had all lodges reported in time a small increase would have been shown for the year.

The Board of Management of the Masonic Homes exceeded their budget by \$3,900.00; most of this amount, however, is accounted for by the fact that the insurance premiums for three years amounting to \$2,900.00 were paid. A budget of \$45,000.00 for the maintenance of the Homes for the ensuing year was appropriated. The per capita tax in this jurisdiction is \$2.50.

The Review of Correspondence is by Bro. Henry C. Yawn. Bro. Yawn was not able to attend the meeting of Grand Lodge on account of illness. This is only his second absence in a period of 40 years and this fact was very kindly referred to in the proceedings of Grand Lodge and the hope expressed that he would soon be fully recovered. The writer also expresses the hope that Bro. Yawn has now fully recovered from his illness. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1935 are given very kindly reference.

MISSOURI

116th Annual Communication at St. Louis September 29th and 30th, 1936. Grand Master James W. Skelly. Lodges 644. Members 92,026. Loss 2,233. The Grand Master referred at length to lodge dues, stating that in 1935 the arrears amounted to \$143,146.00 and that the total arrears in 1936 were \$133,315.00. This was an improvement but the Grand Master thought that it was "just that much too high". He said that in many cases lodges had permitted members to be five years in arrears, which he thinks is a mistaken kindness, and that the lodges should have years before made an active effort to collect, and failing this should have remitted the dues of worthy members and suspended others.

During the year the Grand Master laid six corner stones, issued dispensations for two others and dedicated one Masonic Hall. He visited six other Grand Jurisdictions and a very large number of the constituent lodges.

As a result of improved roads and the shifting of industry and population several consolidations were effected during the year. In the opinion of the Grand Master the changes will strengthen the Fraternity by transferring members from inactive bodies to better surroundings.

According to the Grand Master every lodge has lost members during the past ten years and he thinks now is the time to make a real effort to have worthwhile members return. He believes the tide is turning and that many former members can be reclaimed.

The average number in the Masonic Home for the year was 393. The per capita cost has been reduced from \$558.00 in 1928-29 to \$494.00 in 1935-36. There is an Endowment Fund of \$1,104,000.00 and the total assets are valued at \$2,284,000.00.

The proceedings contain a memorial to M. W. Bro. Joseph F. McIntyre, Past Grand Master, who passed away June 17th, 1936.

The building Supervisory Board reported following on its activities for the year. Many applications to embark upon building projects were dealt with by the Board and it appears to have been a most useful Committee of Grand Lodge.

A Special Committee on the conducting of lotteries made a full report advising that Grand Lodge and every officer and member be on the alert to expose any attempt to violate the Grand Lodge law on the subject.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Ray V. Denslow. The review is topical in character. Reference is made to the outstanding Masonic event of the year in Masonry in Missouri as the laying of the corner stone of a public school at the City of La Clede and the address of General John J. Pershing on the occasion. The writer expresses regret that the laying of the corner stones of public buildings by Masons appears to have gone out of fashion. The subjects dealt with in the review include the recognition of foreign Grand Lodges, the condition of Masonry in certain foreign countries, physical qualifications, the Conference of Grand Masters, suspensions and lotteries. The review is exceedingly instructive and should be read by all who are interested in the problems confronting Masonry.

MONTANA

72nd Annual Communication at Butte. August 19th and 20th, 1936. Grand Master John R. Lloyd. Lodges 135. Members 18,078. Loss 242. Special Communications were held at Shelby and Corvallis for the purpose of dedicating new temples. A Special Communication was also held at Helena on July 18th, 1936, for the purpose of laying the corner stone of the new library, museum and office building of the Grand Lodge. A Special Communication was held on August 3rd, for the purpose of conducting the funeral of M.W. Bro. George W. Craven, Past Grand Master.

The Grand Masters of North Dakota, Connecticut and Idaho were distinguished visitors at the Annual Communication. The Grand Master paid tribute to two Past Grand Masters who died during the year, M.W. Bro. Edward C. Day, the third in line of the Past Grand Masters, and M.W. Bro. George W. Craven, the Junior Past Grand Master. The death of M.W. Bro. Craven was sudden and unexpected. He was a visitor at the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan in June, 1936, and I know that everyone who was there and met him was impressed by his splendid character and this jurisdiction extends its sympathy to the Grand Lodge of Montana in the loss it has suffered from his death. The Grand Master visited approximately 100 of the constituent lodges. He stated that it was his wish to visit all the lodges but that the territory is so great that this was impossible. The educational work in the lodges is making fine progress and the result has been increased attendance and interest.

The Masonic Home Endowment Committee has prepared a programme of Endowment Insurance to be taken out upon the life of one or more

members of each of the constituent lodges with the Masonic Home as the beneficiary. Many lodges have already taken out these insurance policies.

The Grand Master referred to the series of earthquake shocks suffered during the past year by the citizens of Helena. The Masonic Home and Temple at Helena withstood the shocks with very little damage.

The Grand Secretary in his report stated there was renewed activity and better conditions. More degrees were conferred than in any year since 1931; there were fewer suspensions than in any year since 1929 and the smallest loss in membership since 1931. 51 lodges showed gains in membership as compared with 40 last year. Only one lodge failed to send in a remittance.

The late Bro. John E. Lewis left a legacy of \$25,000.00 to the Masonic Home. The Home suffered some damage from the earthquake and an expenditure of \$3,000.00 was necessary for repairs which was very slight when compared with that suffered by other buildings in Helena. The operating expenses of the Home were \$37,500.00 and the revenue was \$40,675.00.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. H. S. Hepner, Past Grand Master. 64 jurisdictions are reviewed, among them Saskatchewan for 1935. The address of the Grand Master M.W. Bro. T. W. Sutherland is quoted at length and the work of the Committee on Masonic Education receives favourable comment. The writer desires to express his personal regret at the death of M.W. Bro. G. W. Craven whom it was his pleasure to meet at the last Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon in June, 1936, and whose companionship he enjoyed during the two days there spent. M.W. Bro. Craven made a decided impression upon the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.

NEBRASKA

79th Annual Communication at Omaha, June 9th and 10th, 1936. Grand Master William C. Ramsay. Lodges 292. Members 33,817. Loss 1,226. 16 Past Grand Masters were present. They were introduced according to their seniority and the Grand Master welcomed them in fitting terms. M.W. Bro. James R. Cain responded on behalf of the Past Grand Masters. Later in the session two other Past Grand Masters were introduced making 18 in all present.

In 1933 a Lodge Fund was established, the object of which was to protect the subordinate lodges against loss resulting from misappropriation of lodge funds by secretaries and treasurers. Each subordinate lodge is required to pay annually into the fund the sum of 20 cents for each \$100.00 of protection. One payment was made out of the fund during the year.

On September 19th, 1935, a Special Communication was held at Lincoln for the purpose of dedicating the beautiful new Masonic Temple. The corner stone of the Masonic Temple at Cambridge was laid on August 20th, 1935, and five Special Communications were held for the purpose of laying the corner stones of public buildings in various parts of the State.

56 fifty-year badges were issued to 36 lodges for presentation to members who had been Masons for 50 years or more. These badges are much appreciated by the older brethren.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington in February, 1936, and was elected Chairman of the Conference. He referred at length to the important subjects there discussed and was much impressed with the knowledge and understanding to be acquired from the Conference.

There are 50 men and 48 women in the Nebraska Masonic Home and there are 39 men and women whose applications for admission have been approved but for whom there is not room in the Home and who are cared for outside. The annual per capita cost of maintenance in 1935 was \$387.00; in 1933 the per capita cost was \$358.00. In the Masonic Eastern Star Home for children there are 57 residents. Grand Lodge expended \$11,500.00 on the Home in 1935.

In 1934 35 lodges were reported as unable to pay their dues but since then 29 of these lodges have paid in full and only 6 lodges now owe their dues for 1934. In 1935 31 lodges failed to pay in full.

The Grand Master reported a slow but gradual improvement in the general condition of the lodges. The peak of membership was reached on December 31st, 1929, 42,150. On December 31st, 1935, there were 33,817 members in good standing, a loss of 8,333 in the six years.

The Review of correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Edwin D. Crites. The review is topical in character and deals with many subjects of interest to Masons. Among the subjects referred to are appendant organizations, the report of the Special Committee of the Grand Lodge of Arkansas on atheistic propaganda, Communism and the official circular on the subject issued by the Grand Master of Oregon, the consolidation of lodges, delinquent dues, and a lengthy reference to a paper given by Bro. G. R. Dolan, M.A., of Regina on "The Founders of Modern Masonry" in the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan in 1935.

NEVADA

72nd Annual Communication at Reno, June 11th, 1936. Grand Master A. F. Amyar. Lodges 26. Members 3,009. Loss 24. 15 Past Grand Masters were present and 23 constituent lodges were represented. 48 Grand Jurisdictions were represented. Distinguished visitors were present from the State of California. M.W. Bro. Edward A. Ducker, Past Grand Master and Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Nevada, in the unavoidable absence of the Governor of the State, extended the greetings of the State to Grand Lodge.

A Special Communication was held at Caliente on June 9th, 1935, for the purpose of delivering the Charter and installing the officers of Caliente Lodge No. 38. A Special Communication was held at Carson City on November 19th, 1935, for the purpose of conducting the funeral of M.W. Bro. Charles L. Fulstone, Past Grand Master. A Communication was also held at Las Vegas on April 24th, 1936, for the purpose of laying the corner stone of the new Grammar School.

The Grand Master spoke encouragingly of the condition of Masonry in Nevada. He stated that during his official visitations he observed optimism everywhere in place of the fear and unrest which prevailed for several years past. All the lodges are in healthy condition and their finances are sufficient to meet their necessary expenditure and charities. He visited 25 of the lodges and the attendance at the meetings in the aggregate was 52% of the entire membership. In order to conduct his visits to the lodges he travelled over 5,000 miles by automobile.

The finances appear to be in sound position and there was a surplus of revenue over expenditure during the year.

The Committee on the Legitimacy of Grand Lodges recommended that fraternal relations be established with the Grand Independent Cosmos of the State of Chihuahua, Mexico. Their reason for so doing was that no other grand lodge had lodges working in that state and that at present the Independent Cosmos was supreme in its jurisdiction.

The proceedings contain a portrait and memorial to M.W. Bro. Charles S. Fulstone. He was Grand Master in 1908 and had served faithfully on committees of Grand Lodge since that time. The deceased brother was a successful rancher and was held in high regard throughout the State. The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. V. M. Henderson, the Grand Secretary. In a foreword Bro. Henderson states that the review is incomplete but that owing to illness he has not been able to devote the necessary time to the work. The writer desires to express the hope that Bro. Henderson is now fully recovered from his indisposition.

NEW BRUNSWICK

68th Annual Communication at St. John, August 22nd, 1935. Grand Master G. Percival Burchill. Lodges 43. Members 5,521. Loss 187. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge officers, and 32 of the constituent lodges were represented. Two Past District Deputy Grand Masters passed away during the year, R.W. Bro. George Ackman, and R.W. Bro. James E. Masters, both Past Masters of Keith Lodge.

The Grand Master visited the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia at Lunenburg in the month of June, 1935, and he reported very hospitable treatment by the brethren of Nova Scotia.

The General Account showed a surplus in the year's operations. There is a Benevolent Fund of \$68,000.00. 15 grants were made during the year aggregating \$1,500.00.

The Grand Master G. Percival Burchill was re-elected for a second year.

The reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters show that Masonry in New Brunswick is in a healthy condition and that progress is being made despite a slight loss in membership.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

147th Annual Communication at Concord, May 20th, 1936. Grand Master Halsey C. Edgerton. Lodges 81. Members 13,619. Loss 403. The Semi-Annual Communication was held at Manchester on December 27th, 1935, and a Special Communication was held at Winchester on January 17th, 1936, for the purpose of dedicating the Temple of Philecian Lodge No. 40.

9 Past Grand Masters were present at the Annual Communication and 38 Grand Jurisdictions were represented. Saskatchewan's representative was Bro. John J. Tilton. 77 constituent lodges were represented.

The Grand Master stated that while there had been a decline in membership the number of admissions had increased and that this was encouraging. He also reported an increasing interest in Masonic matters and he felt that distinct improvement was in sight.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington in February, 1936. In reporting to Grand Lodge he stated that the Conference was in no sense a legislative body but furnished a wonderful opportunity for discussion of various problems faced by Masons throughout the country. He stated that perhaps the greatest interest at the Conference centred about the discussion of gambling devices and lotteries and quoted one of the speakers as follows:

"These Brethren who believe that they are justified in going ahead with these schemes if they can bring them within the letter of the law entirely miss the whole point. They overlook the fact that they may still be guilty of a Masonic offense even though they comply with the letter of the law, if they evade the spirit

of the law in such a manner as to bring Masonry in disrepute; or to go a step further, whether they violate either the letter or the spirit of the law is of no consequence in my judgment, if their act reflects upon the good name of Masonry."

The Review of correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Harry M. Cheney. In a foreword Bro. Cheney refers to the death of Bro. Albert S. Wait in 1906. Bro. Wait had been Foreign Correspondent for 30 years and was a man of great literary ability and a close student of Masonry. In 1907 Bro. Cheney was appointed to succeed him and has conducted the foreign correspondence since that time and now has completed his 30th year as correspondent. The writer extends his best wishes to Bro. Cheney and hopes that he will be spared many years. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1935 are very kindly reviewed.

NEW JERSEY

149th Annual Communication at Trenton. April 22nd and 23rd, 1936. Grand Master Martin J. Dietz. Lodges 278. Members 82,520. Loss 3,350. An Emergent Communication was held at East Orange on December 5th, 1935, for the purpose of conducting the funeral of M.W. Bro. William Fortmeyer, Past Grand Master. The proceedings contain a memorial to this distinguished brother. An Emergent Communication was also held at Phillipsburg on November 23rd, 1935, for the purpose of laying the corner stone of a new Masonic Temple.

20 Past Grand Masters were present at the Annual Communication and 65 Grand Jurisdictions were represented, among them Saskatchewan by R.W. Bro. Frank L. Silver. 274 constituent lodges were represented. Among the distinguished visitors were R.W. Bro. Jacob C. Klinck, Deputy Grand Master, and M.W. Bro. Charles J. Johnson, Grand Secretary and Past Grand Master of New York, M.W. Bro. Arthur F. Lewis, Grand Master of Connecticut, M.W. Bro. Julius C. Thomas, Grand Master of Vermont, and M.W. Bro. Otto B. Roepke, Grand Master of the District of Columbia.

The Grand Master stated that Grand Lodge existed for the purpose of rendering a service to each constituent lodge and for this reason he had visited every part of the State. On the occasion of each visit he endeavoured to enlighten the brethren as to Grand Lodge activities including the Masonic Home and the Masonic Charity Fund.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and reported that many interesting subjects were discussed and that the Conference affords an opportunity for an interchange of ideas with Grand Masters from all parts of the country. He also made extended reference to the George Washington National Masonic Memorial stating that \$4,000,000.00 had been spent and that no contracts were being let for completion unless the money was available. He expressed the opinion that the memorial must be completed.

The payment of \$1.00 special assessment for the Charity Fund was suspended for the year 1935, but the lodges were asked to remit 10 cents per capita on account making the total per capita assessment \$2.15 instead of \$3.05. Every lodge in the jurisdiction complied with this request.

The problem of taxation levied on Masonic Temples received attention during the year with the result that an Act was passed in the State Legislature exempting the real and personal property of all fraternal organizations from taxation.

The Grand Master specially greeted W. Bro. Charles H. Austin, who is 91 years of age and whose membership dates back to 1875.

The total receipts for the year from all sources were \$258,355.00.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence gave some interesting statistics in their report. The total loss in membership for 1935 in the United States and Canada is stated to have been 128,526, or 4.2% and the total loss for the last five years has been 572,758 or 16.5%, about 3.5% per year. They also stated that the most encouraging feature is the number who are being reinstated—the number last year being placed at 49,000.

The Committee on the Celebration of the 150th Anniversary which takes place next year reported and recommended that each constituent lodge hold a regular or special meeting in October or November, 1936, and that a special programme would be furnished for the occasion. They also advised that a Special Communication of Grand Lodge be held in Trenton on December 19th, 1936.

At the end of 1935 there were 234 residents in the Masonic Home. The cost of maintenance was \$120,259.00. In addition outside assistance was rendered in 147 cases and this necessitated an additional expenditure of \$28,297.00.

The proceedings of 62 Grand Lodges are reviewed, among them Saskatchewan for 1935. Reference is made to the address of the Grand Master, to the attendance at the district meetings, and to the report and work of the Committee on Masonic Education.

NEW MEXICO

58th Annual Communication at Albuquerque, on March 16th, 1936. Grand Master Reuben Perry. Lodges 55. Members 5,796. Loss 128. A welcome was extended by Bro. Charles H. Lembke, the Mayor of the City, and the Deputy Grand Master responded. A Special Communication was held at Albuquerque on December 24th, 1935, for the purpose of attending the funeral of Bro. Frank Johnson, Past Grand Master. A Special Communication was also held on January 13th, 1936, for the purpose of dedicating the new lodge hall of Mount Moriah Lodge No. 54.

In his address, the Grand Master pointed out that the younger members of Grand Lodge should remember that the wisdom and experience of the older members constituted a great asset.

The Grand Master visited the Grand Lodges of Texas and the District of Columbia during the year in which he held office. He also attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and made reference in his address to the subjects there discussed which included gambling devices and lotteries, the place of the social club in the lodge, the Mason as a citizen, and the Masonic attitude towards subversive activities.

There is a revolving Students' Loan Fund. Three loans were made during the year amounting to \$700.00; the sum of \$1,762.00 was repaid, and the amount outstanding is nearly \$9,000.00. The Grand Master emphasized the need of those who had received the benefit of the loans making some effort to meet these obligations.

The finances appear to be in a sound position although the receipts for the year were slightly less than the expenditure. All lodges except two made their annual reports.

The review of correspondence is by Bro. John Milne. 44 jurisdictions are reviewed but Saskatchewan is not among them.

NEW SOUTH WALES

Grand Master Sir Alexander Hore-Ruthven. Lodges 599. Members 59,047. Increase 234. A Special Communication was held on July 23rd,

1935, at Sydney for the installation of the Grand Master elect, Sir Alexander Hore-Ruthven, and for the investiture of the Grand Lodge officers. Distinguished visitors were present from the jurisdictions of Queensland, Western Australia, Tasmania, Victoria and South Australia. M.W. Bro. F. A. Maguire was appointed Pro Grand Master and R.W. Bro. H. D. A. Christison was appointed Deputy Grand Master for the ensuing 12 months. The Grand Master was formerly Grand Master of the jurisdiction of South Australia.

A Past Grand Master's Jewel was presented to the retiring Grand Master, M.W. Bro. F. A. Maguire, who addressed the brethren and congratulated the Grand Master on his appointment and spoke of the pleasure he had experienced in serving the Grand Lodge for two years. The Grand Master spoke of the responsibility of a Grand Master and said his task would be lighter by reason of the wide experience and ability of the Pro Grand Master and Deputy Grand Master. He counselled the brethren to cultivate that spirit of harmony which is the essence of Freemasonry and stated that unity, peace and concord should be the guiding principles of the Institution.

Quarterly Communications were held at Sydney on September 11th and December 11th, 1935, and on March the 11th, 1936. A Special Communication was held on June 8th, 1936, for the purpose of receiving nominations for Grand Master and Grand Lodge officers. His Excellency Lord Gowrie was nominated as Grand Master. The regular Quarterly Communication was held on June 10th. The Pro Grand Master, M.W. Bro. F. A. Maguire, in the absence of the Grand Master delivered the Grand Master's address in which reference was made to the fact that the Grand Lodge of England had conferred Past Grand Rank on His Majesty King Edward VIII.

The book value of the securities of Grand Lodge on July 31st, 1935, was £121,000 and in addition there are trust funds amounting to £42,917. The total assets, including buildings, are valued at £412,000. In the William Thompson School there are 304 children. There were 877 admissions to the Masonic Hospital for the year and the daily average of patients was 39.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence gave some impressions of the position of Masonry throughout the English speaking world and concluded that Masonry is continuing to progress, that improved economic conditions have helped its advancement and that one of the lessons of lean times is that there should be an effort to improve the standard of initiates.

The Review of Correspondence is by V.W. Bro. William Epps, who is Chairman of a Committee consisting of five members. The Review is topical in character and is divided into British Masonry, Australian Masonry, U. S. Masonry, Continental Masonry and Canadian Masonry. There are references to several of the jurisdictions in Canada. There follows an account of what many Grand Lodges are doing in respect to Masonic Education and I find a reference to the work that is done in Saskatchewan. There is also an interesting statement on the subject of Masonic Benevolence and the great work that is being done in this respect in many jurisdictions.

NEW YORK

155th Annual Communication at the City of New York, May 5th and 6th, 1936. Grand Master Robert E. Owens. Lodges 1,036. Members 278,238. Loss 14,166. The Invocation was pronounced by R.W. Bro. Rev. S. Parkes Cadman. The R.W. Deputy Grand Master announced that the Grand Master could not be present on account of illness and on behalf of

the Grand Master he read the address. Reference was made to the Grand Masters Conference at Washington and to the George Washington Masonic Memorial. The opinion was expressed that the incomplete condition of the memorial stands as a blot upon the escutcheon of Freemasonry. The hope was expressed that the Grand Lodges of the country would unite in the effort to bring about the completion of the structure.

The income of Grand Lodge from fees and dues of lodges alone was about \$778,000.00. of the 1,036 lodges all reported and 840 had paid in full to date. The Grand Secretary, in reporting, stated that the peak of losses in membership was reached a few years ago and that the losses, while still regretfully large, are decreasing in number. The number raised, affiliated and restored was much in excess of last year.

The Trustees of the Masonic Hall and Asylum Fund reported a total revenue for the year of \$864,000.00. There has however been an operating deficit which has accumulated during the years 1930 to 1935. There is an Endowment Fund of $3\frac{1}{4}$ million dollars. The cost of operating the Home at Utica was \$264,000.00. The average cost per day per capita for the men and women was \$1.34 and for the boys and girls \$2.20. The various funds were increased by bequests and gifts amounting to \$73,000.00.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge of Argentine with headquarters at Buenos Aires, the Grand Orient of Rio Grande do Sul at Porto Alegre Brazil, and the United Grand Lodge Oriental Peninsular, Merida, Yucatan, Mexico.

A resolution was adopted severing fraternal relations with the Grand Lodges of Bogota and Cartagena in Colombia on account of the unhappy conditions which have disrupted these Grand Lodges largely due to politics and religion. Fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge at Barranquilla in Colombia were left undisturbed.

R.W. Bro. William J. Wiley, who has been Superintendent of the Masonic Home at Utica for over thirty years and has filled a difficult post with great credit to himself and honour to the Craft, was, by resolution, given the title "Most Worshipful Past Grand Master."

R.W. Bro. Jacob C. Klinck was elected Grand Master for the year 1936-37. A portrait of the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Robert E. Owens was presented to Grand Lodge. The portrait was painted by Bro. Henry S. Todd, who has already painted 12 other Grand Master's portraits.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Nelson Sawyer. In a splendid foreword Bro. Sawyer sounds a note against all attacks upon religious or political organizations. Waging a political fight is suicidal and assailing a religious organization, which to its adherents is a precious thing, is worse. Masonry seeks to unite in fraternal relationship all men of good will without distinction of religion or race. In a statistical table the loss in membership among the Grand Lodges in the United States is placed at 120,882, in Canada at 6,135, and in Australasia at 3,427. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1935 are very fully and very kindly reviewed.

NEW ZEALAND

Grand Master Colonel James J. Esson. Lodges 302. Members 25,464. Loss 143. 46th Annual Communication was held at Christchurch on December 4th, 1935. The proceedings contain a portrait of and a memorial to Earl Jellicoe, the Past Grand Master, who died on November 20th, 1935. Earl Jellicoe was initiated in Renown Lodge No. 218, Wellington, in February, 1922, and was elected Grand Master in the month

of November, 1932. He was appointed Governor General of New Zealand in 1920. The Grand Master, before commencing the business of Grand Lodge, paid a tribute to the life and work of this distinguished citizen.

M.W. Bro. Esson was again chosen Grand Master by unanimous vote. During the year there was expended from the Widows' and Orphans' Fund £6,719. The total investment of all the funds of Grand Lodge amounted to £156,848. In the General Fund there was a surplus for the year of income over expenditure of £342.

The Board of General Purposes gave serious consideration during the year to the question of the deferment of Grand Lodge dues of brethren who through unemployment or other misfortune are unable to meet their lodge obligations and recommended that Grand Lodge authorize deferment for the year ending June 30th, 1936, in respect of such members but that the power be exercised only on the recommendation of the Provincial Grand Master in each case.

The Grand Secretary reported that all lodges had furnished the necessary returns but that two lodges had failed to meet their obligations before the closing of the books on September 30th.

At the request of the Grand Master of Iowa, M.W. Bro. B. H. Saxton, the Grand Lodge of New Zealand forwarded a New Zealand ensign on which was a message of the brethren of New Zealand to the brethren of Iowa. This flag was forwarded to assist the Grand Master of Iowa in his flag ceremony in June, 1935.

NORTH CAROLINA

149th Annual Communication at Raleigh, April 21st and 22nd, 1936. Grand Master Charles B. Newcomb. Lodges 350. Members 27,448. Loss 844. 11 Past Grand Masters were present and 72 Grand Jurisdictions were represented. Saskatchewan's representative was, however, not present. Among the distinguished visitors were the Grand Masters of the District of Columbia, Virginia and South Carolina.

It has been the practice of this Grand Lodge to hold a Special Communication at the Oxford Orphanage on June 24th. Last year, on account of the prevalence of infantile paralysis, the Grand Master cancelled the usual communication from the fear of communicating the disease to the 375 children in the orphanage. The Grand Master expressed the opinion that on account of the many visitors to the Orphanage the time had come when, in the interests of economy, the Summer Communication at Oxford should be discontinued. The Grand Master spoke of life memberships stating that a life membership based upon Meritorious service is one thing but that such membership based upon continuous membership for a definite number of years is another. He feared that many lodges were being embarrassed financially by the number of life members and thought that Grand Lodge should provide remedial measures for "this rapidly growing menace".

Lengthy reference was made by the Grand Master to lotteries and gambling devices conducted by bodies requiring the Symbolic Degrees as a prerequisite to membership. He stated that the Conference of Grand Masters heard two excellent papers on the subject, one by the Grand Master of Massachusetts and the other by the Grand Master of Illinois, both of whom had experience with these activities. It was the unanimous opinion of the Grand Masters present at the Conference that such activities should be condemned.

The General Fund is in a sound financial position, there being a small surplus of revenue over expenditure for the year. There was expended on the Oxford Orphanage the sum of \$45,000.00 and on the

Masonic and Eastern Star Home the sum of \$11,000.00. The total income of the Masonic Home from all sources was \$23,572.00 and the expenditure \$24,460.00. The Oxford Orphanage was operated within its income.

Two Special Communications were held during the year for the purpose of laying the corner stones of public buildings.

M.W. Bro. J. G. Hudson is the Grand Master for 1936-37. There is no published review of correspondence.

NORTH DAKOTA

47th Annual Communication at Fargo, June 16th and 17th, 1936. Grand Master Lewis K. Thompson. Lodges 127. Members 12,130. Loss 487.

A welcome was extended on behalf of the Masons of Fargo by the Masters of the two lodges there. To this welcome the Deputy Grand Master replied stating that the hospitality of the lodges in Fargo was well known and that their welcome on this occasion was heartily appreciated.

Distinguished visitors were M.W. Bro. John R. Lloyd, Grand Master of Montana, and M.W. Bro. Frank W. Mattson, Acting Grand Master of Minnesota. 14 Past Grand Masters were present and were assembled at the Altar in order of seniority. M.W. Bro. Stockwell, Grand Master in 1902-03 was the Senior Past Grand Master present. Communications were read from the Grand Lodges of South Dakota, Montana and Saskatchewan expressing regret because of the inability of their Grand Masters to be present.

The two surviving resident charter members, M.W. Bro. James McDonald and Hon. Past Grand Master Louis B. Hanna, were unable to be present. A tribute was paid to these brethren by M.W. Bro. Forkner because of the work done by them 47 years ago in laying the foundation of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota.

A reception was accorded all brethren who had been Masons for 50 years or more. 7 of them were present, among them three who had been Masons for 63, 64 and 65 years respectively.

The Grand Master referred to lotteries sponsored by organizations, some of which required as a pre-requisite to membership good standing in a Masonic lodge. These organizations were advised that the practice was directly contrary to Masonic law and to the law of the State with the result that they agreed to refrain from entering into activities in the future which could be classed as un-Masonic.

In two years this Grand Lodge will reach its 50th Anniversary and the Grand Master advised the appointment of a committee to arrange for the observation of this outstanding event.

The first stated meeting in November of the constituent lodges has been appointed Grand Lodge Night. The prime purpose is to present an instructive programme reviewing the different activities of Grand Lodge and thus acquaint the brethren with the work of Grand Lodge.

The finances are in a sound position although the expenditure for the year exceeded the revenue by approximately \$2,000.00. There is a Relief Fund of \$57,000.00 and a Home Fund of \$21,000.00. The sum of \$2,282.00 was expended on relief. The Grand Secretary, in his report, referred to losses in revenue and membership but stated there was an improvement over the previous year and expressed high hope for the future. Many lodges with difficult financial problems had improved their position, had met their obligations and had balances in the treasury.

The proceedings contain a photograph of the Grand Master and M.W. Bro. Harry Wood, the Grand Master of Manitoba when they met

at the Masonic Island, Lake Metigoshe, on July 26th, 1936, on the occasion of the International Picnic for Masons held on that date. A great work it appears is being done by the Masons of North Dakota and of Manitoba in encouraging International goodwill.

On a recommendation of the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Tasmania and the Grand Lodge of Sweden.

The Review of correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Walter H. Murfin. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1935 are very briefly but very kindly reviewed with a complimentary reference to M.W. Bro. J. R. Yorke, the Grand Master of Saskatchewan for 1935-36.

NOVA SCOTIA

71st Annual Communication at Halifax, June 10th, 1936. Grand Master M. M. Gardner. Lodges 84. Members 8,895. Loss 184. Six Past Grand Masters were present and 52 Grand Jurisdictions were represented, among them Saskatchewan by Bro. J. S. Smiley. 64 Constituent lodges were represented. Among the distinguished visitors was M.W. Bro. E. Kemp, Grand Master of Prince Edward Island.

After the opening of Grand Lodge a service was conducted by the Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. F. L. Wallace, assisted by R.W. Bro. J. A. McKeigan, Past Grand Chaplain of Saskatchewan.

The Grand Master made extended reference to the death of His Majesty King George V stating that he was a beloved King-Emperor and that his memory will long be cherished by present and future generations.

In conducting his visitation of the lodges the Grand Master endeavoured to first visit those which had not been visited by the Grand Master since 1932 and 1933.

Last year a resolution was passed enabling any lodge to make any terms it liked with reference to arrears of dues, even wiping out the total debt due the lodge. This was done with the object of reclaiming former members through reinstatement. In his address the Grand Master referred to the need of reclaiming the members and made several suggestions for the guidance of the lodges towards this end. At the last communication it was decided to award 50 year jewels and a Committee was appointed for this purpose. During the year 151 jewels were presented to members who had been in good standing for 50 years or more.

The Committee on Fraternal Relations recommended that recognition be extended to the National Grand Lodge of Roumania in Bucharest.

The finances appear in sound position. The operating account of the Masonic Home shows an excess of revenue over expenditure of \$1,318.00, while the General Account shows an excess of expense over income of \$1,792.00. There was really, however, not a deficit as one of the items in the operating account belonged to the previous year. The total surplus in the Home and General Accounts is \$108,650.00. The Endowment Fund for the Home is \$79,000.00.

The Review of correspondence is by R.W. Bro. James C. Jones, the Grand Secretary. In a foreword Bro. Jones remarks that there has been an improvement in most jurisdictions during the past year in the net loss in membership, and that in a large number of jurisdictions determined efforts have been made to reinstate demitted and suspended brethren.

The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1935 are given kindly reference.

OHIO

126th Annual Communication at Dayton, October 21st and 22nd, 1936. Grand Master Elmer R. Arn. Lodges 623. Members 177,902. Gain

1,372. 15 Past Grand Masters were present. W. Bro. Charles B. Hoffman extended a welcome on behalf of the Masons of Dayton. The Grand Secretary called the Roll of Grand Representatives. They were welcomed by the Grand Master and asked to extend the greetings of the Grand Lodge of Ohio to their respective jurisdictions. Among the distinguished visitors was M.W. Bro. Neil B. Reid, Grand Master of Michigan. M.W. Bro. Barton Smith, Grand Master in 1897, passed away on November 16th, 1935. The proceedings contain a tribute to the life and work of this distinguished brother. The Grand Master also made extended reference to another Past Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Charles L. Minor, who died on February 18th, 1936.

An Emergent Communication was held on October 26th, 1935, for the purpose of installing V.W. Bro. Rev. Phillip Porter as Grand Chaplain. An Emergent Communication was also held at Chillicothe on May 16th, 1936, for the purpose of celebrating the Anniversary of the Grand Lodge.

On October 26th, 1935, a reception was accorded the Grand Master by his brethren of the Dayton lodges. 1,652 members of the Fraternity were present and the Grand Master much appreciated the kindness of the brethren of his home city.

The Grand Master reported that his attention had been called during the year to gambling activities of various organizations which predicate their membership upon Masonry. He is of the opinion that there rests upon these organizations a responsibility to conform to the standards the public has associated with Masonry for generations.

The Grand Master made reference to the laying of corner stones on Sunday and stated that he had discouraged the practice as he felt it detracted from the respect due the Sabbath Day.

All those present who had received 50 year medals were called upon to stand and were given a most cordial greeting.

The balance in the General Account showed a decrease for the year but the finances are in an exceptionally sound position.

The Grand Secretary reported a gain in membership for 1936 of 1,372, compared with a loss in 1935 of 5,146. The gain was due largely to reinstatements. During the last six years 40,379 members were suspended for non-payment of dues and there have been 13,650 reinstatements. The Grand Secretary also reported an improvement in the payment of Grand Lodge dues, the amount unpaid at the end of 1936 being only \$6,598.00 as compared with \$12,661.00 at the end of 1935.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported that it had received several requests for recognition by foreign Grand Lodges but was not able as yet to make any recommendation.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Earl Stewart, Past Grand Master. 62 jurisdictions are reviewed, among them Saskatchewan for 1936. The reviewer has given this jurisdiction extended notice with references to the address of the Grand Master, the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters, the report of the Committee on Masonic Education, and the Review of Foreign Correspondence.

OKLAHOMA

28th Annual Communication at Ponca City, February 11th, 12th and 13th, 1936. Grand Master Joseph Drouot. Lodges 447. Members 48,058. Loss 720. 21 Past Grand Masters were present. The Grand Master was escorted to the East by the Grand Deacon and a Committee of Past Grand Masters. Among the distinguished visitors present were the Grand Master of Kansas, M.W. Bro. Otto R. Souders, and a Past Grand Master of Idaho, M.W. Bro. J. E. Muerman.

A reception was accorded to the Grand Representatives present. They were welcomed by the Grand Master and asked to carry the greetings of the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma to their respective Grand Lodges. Saskatchewan was represented by Bro. Bernie Herstein.

The Grand Master reported that he had visited each of the 40 districts once and some of them as many as four times, and that he had devoted practically his whole time to the duties of his office. He traveled 30,000 miles by rail and automobile.

At the last session of Grand Lodge a resolution was introduced to increase the per capita tax to \$2.00 as it appeared that an increase of income was necessary. This did not meet with the approval of Grand Lodge. The incoming officers feared a deficit but by practising strict economy and with the assistance of some of the lodges towards the maintenance of the Homes, the accounts for the year ending December, 1935, showed a surplus.

The Grand Master during his year of office prepared a plan for the raising of \$100,000.00. as an Endowment Fund for the Masonic Homes. This plan involved a voluntary contribution of \$2.00 by each member and was endorsed by the Executive Committee. At the end of the year the lodges had responded in the sum of \$19,276.00 and since then the fund had increased to an amount in excess of \$25,000.00.

The Grand Master attended the annual meeting of the Order of the Eastern Star and extended the fraternal greetings of Grand Lodge. He addressed the meeting on matters pertaining to the Masonic Home.

Six emergent communications were held during the year, five for the purpose of installing Grand Lodge officers, and one to attend the funeral of M.W. Bro. Wm. E. Stuart, Past Grand Master. At this, the last Communication, 9 Past Grand Masters were present.

M.W. Bro. T. C. Humphrey, who was Grand Master of Arkansas in 1875 was presented to Grand Lodge by the Grand Master and briefly addressed the brethren. On the occasion of his 50th anniversary, M.W. Bro. Humphrey was presented with a watch and chain at Little Rock by the Grand Lodge of Arkansas.

The Grand Secretary reported that only five lodges were in debt to Grand Lodge in a total of \$126.75. There were 3,120 reinstatements during the year and 3,865 suspensions. The total receipts were \$103,000.00 and the disbursements were \$88,500.00. The Maintenance of the Masonic Homes cost \$61,000.00.

The Review of correspondence is by M.W. Bro. T. C. Humphrey. 62 jurisdictions are reviewed among them Saskatchewan for 1935. Kindly reference is made to the address of the Grand Master and to the Review of Correspondence. In a foreword Bro. Humphrey refers to the honour done him by the Grand Lodge of Arkansas on the occasion of the 50th Anniversary of his election as Grand Master in that jurisdiction.

OREGON

86th Annual Communication at Portland June 10th, 11th and 12th, 1936. Grand Master H. Wayne Stanard. Lodges 173. Members 25,013. Loss 853. Two Special Communications were held during the year for the purpose of laying the corner stones of public buildings. A unique ceremony was held at Salem on July 31st, 1935, when the Grand Lodge raised from the corner stone of the State Capitol building, which was destroyed by fire on April 25th, 1935, the casket containing 83 separate articles which were deposited in the stone when it was laid on August 8th, 1873, by Thomas McFaden Patton, the Grand Master of Oregon.

On September 7th, 1935, the new Masonic Temple of Sandy Lodge No. 158 was dedicated by the Grand Master.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters in Washington in February, 1936, and also the meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association. He reported that no work had been done on the memorial for two years because of lack of funds. The sum of \$458,000.00 is needed to finish the interior of the memorial and already there has been expended on the project the sum of \$4,000,000.00.

There are 94 residents in the Masonic and Eastern Star Home. A visit was paid to the Home by a large number of the brethren from the Communication. The cost of maintenance for the year was \$56,535.00. There is a total balance in all Grand Lodge funds of \$420,000.00. There is an Educational Fund of \$262,000.00 and assistance was given during the year to 126 children in 75 families.

16 Past Grand Masters were present at the Annual Communication and 54 Grand Jurisdictions were represented. Among the distinguished visitors was M.W. Bro. Walter H. Steffley, Grand Master of Washington. An address of welcome was delivered by Bro. Joseph K. Carson, the Mayor of Portland. 157 of the constituent lodges were represented.

The Grand Secretary reported a general improvement in the Fraternity; lodge attendance has increased and the financial condition of the lodges is better.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Otto C. Hagmeier. 67 jurisdictions are reviewed and Bro. Hagmeier finds among the various jurisdictions a clear note of optimism and a conviction that better times are ahead. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1935 are very fully referred to.

PENNSYLVANIA

Grand Master Otto R. Heiligman. Lodges 568. Members 194,732. Loss in 1934 6,886. A Quarterly Communication was held at Philadelphia on March 6th, 1935, at which 224 lodges were represented.

At the Quarterly Communication on June the 5th, 1935, 188 lodges were represented. At this communication a memorial was read to the late M.W. Bro. Benjamin Page, Grand Master in 1932-33, who died on May 7th, 1935. A tribute was paid to this distinguished brother both as a Mason and a citizen of prominence.

At the Quarterly Communication on September 4th, 1935, 192 lodges were represented. At this communication there were many distinguished visitors, among them being the Grand Masters of Virginia, New Jersey, South Carolina, Maryland, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Delaware, District of Columbia and Maine. Kentucky was represented by a Past Grand Master, M.W. Bro. J. H. Cowles.

At the Quarterly Communication on December 4th, 1935, M.W. Bro. Harold N. Rust was elected Grand Master for 1936. A distinguished visitor was M.W. Bro. William M. Brown, Grand Master of Virginia.

M.W. Bro. Abraham M. Beitler, who was Grand Master in 1922-23 passed away on September 2nd, 1935. A memorial to his memory was read in Grand Lodge. During many years he devoted a great deal of his time to Masonic Work. He was prominent in the public life of his State, having been for eleven years a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas in Philadelphia County.

The Grand Master cabled deepest sympathy of Grand Lodge to the Duke of Connaught, the Grand Master of England, on the occasion of the death of Lord Cornwallis, the Deputy Grand Master of England.

Lord Cornwallis represented the Grand Lodge of England at the Bi-Centenary celebration of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania held in Philadelphia in 1931.

This Grand Lodge has assets which are valued at about \$18,000,000.00. There is an Endowment Fund for the Masonic Homes of about \$1,300,000.00 and an Endowment for the Thomas Rankin Patton institution for boys of \$1,643,000.00. The Grand Lodge Charity Fund amounts to \$208,000.00. There are 598 residents in the Masonic Homes.

The Annual Grand Communication was held on December 27th, 1935, with 131 lodges represented. The Grand Master reported that during the year one lodge surrendered its charter making the number of lodges now 567. He also stated that the lodges were gradually adjusting themselves to prevailing conditions and keeping their disbursements within their means. Hereported that he had to remove from office the treasurer and secretary of one of the lodges because they caused to be sent through the mails a circular letter containing the fraternal affiliation of one of them who was a candidate for public office.

Extended reference was made by the Grand Master to the Endowment of the Masonic Homes and he advocated an increase in the Endowment Funds for the Homes including the Freemasons Hospital.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and stated that the outstanding paper at the Conference was that given by M.W. Bro. Charles H. Johnson, the Grand Secretary of New York on the subject, "The Modern World and Freemasonry." He thought that this address should be printed and widely distributed.

M.W. Bro. Harold N. Rust was installed as Grand Master. He addressed the brethren expressing appreciation of the honour conferred upon him and among other things he stated:

"I again pledge myself to keep inviolate the Ancient Usages, Customs and Landmarks of the Fraternity, to countenance no innovations, and to keep pure and unsullied the Masonry that has been taught and practised by the long line of distinguished Grand Masters who have preceded me in this exalted station."

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

24th Annual Communication at Manilla January 28th and 29th, 1936. Grand Master Samuel Hawthorne. Lodges 103. Members 5,288. Loss 160. 11 Past Grand Masters were present and 78 constituent lodges were represented. The Past Grand Masters were conducted into the hall, presented to the East and fittingly welcomed by the Deputy Grand Master. 76 Grand Jurisdictions were represented among them Saskatchewan by Bro. Vincente Orosa.

The Grand Master, in speaking of foreign relations, referred to the decision of the Grand Lodges of England, Ireland, Scotland and Massachusetts in severing fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of The Philippines three years ago "owing to a misunderstanding", and stated that the Grand Lodge of The Philippines had not suspended relations with any of the bodies mentioned and that the lodges remained open to all regular Masons. He also stated that the splendid success "of our China venture" over which the difference of opinion arose was the best proof that no mistake was made "when we responded to appeals for help that we received from the neighbouring Republic in which our Grand Lodge is particularly interested."

In June 1935, the Grand Master sent M.W. Bro. Seldon W. O'Brien as an ambassador of peace to the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts. The

mission proved fruitless and according to the report of M.W. Bro. O'Brien he failed to find the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts in "a receptive mood." Since that date no further efforts have been made to dispose of the differences.

Two years ago it was decided to allow all delinquent lodges to pay their indebtedness to Grand Lodge in 10 equal annual instalments. All the lodges are reported to have lived up to these requirements.

The Grand Master constituted one new lodge during the year.

He visited all the lodges except one and was able to include in his visitations the three lodges in China.

The Grand Master exercised his privilege of making a Mason at Sight by conferring the Degrees upon Major General Douglas McArthur, the military adviser of the Government of the Philippines.

Recommendations in favour of dual membership were adopted but a Committee was appointed to prepare the necessary amendment to the constitution.

M.W. Bro. Conrado Benitez is Grand Master for 1936-37.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

61st Annual Communication at Hunter River, June 24th, 1936. Grand Master Ernest Kemp. Lodges 14. Members 1110. Loss 33. 8 Past Grand Masters were present and 31 jurisdictions were represented. The Grand Representatives were called to the Altar and heartily welcomed by the Grand Master who asked them to convey fraternal greetings to their respective jurisdictions. All the constituent lodges were represented.

The Grand Master stated that he had visited all the lodges during his term of office.

The Grand Master made extended reference to the death of His Majesty King George V, stating that his life and character will serve as an inspiration to all his subjects throughout the Empire. He also paid a tribute to the life and work of Lord Amphyll, Pro Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England, and of the late Lord Cornwallis, the Deputy Grand Master.

The Constitution provides that the representatives of other Grand Lodges who fail to attend the Annual Communication three years in succession thereby forfeit their appointments. The Grand Master reviewed the list of representatives and found some who did not attend although able to do so. These he replaced with more active members. In 1931, the last year to record an increase, the membership in this jurisdiction was 1,248. It is now 1,110. During this time there have been 142 suspensions for non-payment of dues. The Grand Master is of the opinion that an effort should be made to keep the present members and feels that greater care should be taken in suspensions. The Benevolent Fund Trustees granted relief to the family of a suspended Mason being of the opinion that the suspension had taken place without proper investigation of the circumstances.

There is a Benevolent Fund of \$16,500.00 and \$2,266.00 was expended on charity during the year.

M.W. Bro. Howard E. Ward is Grand Master for 1936-37.

QUEBEC

65th Annual Communication at Montreal, February 13th, 1935. Grand Master Malcolm A. Campbell. Lodges 93. Members 14,846. Loss 398.

Six Past Grand Masters were present and every constituent lodge was represented. The Grand Master stated that to him the most important part of the work of the Grand Master was the visitation of the lodges and that he had endeavoured to comply with every request for a visitation during the year. Everywhere he was received with affection and courtesy. He visited the Grand Jurisdictions of Vermont, Canada in Ontario and Massachusetts.

The Grand Master spoke of the difficulties of the Masonic Memorial Temple in Montreal, pointing out that while the obligation was not one of Grand Lodge the subject merited the most serious consideration. Loans have been made from the Grand Lodge funds amounting to \$44,000.00 to assist the Temple Corporation to meet its obligations.

In concluding his address the Grand Master referred to the continued vitality of Masonry stating that there must be some reason for this. In his opinion the vitality of its brotherhood has held Masonry together and it will continue to flourish in proportion as its fraternal ideals are put into actual practice. In addition, however, there is another vital element—its foundation upon religion, belief in God and in man's immortal destiny. Men who are admitted to Masonry believe in their divine origin and estimate life's meaning and purpose as not bounded by the limits of the present life.

The Grand Secretary in reporting on the membership stated that the figures disclose a more favourable situation than last year. The peak of the membership was four years ago when the total was 16,114. At the end of 1934 there were 14,846 members, a loss of 1,268 in four years, or 7.87%.

The revenue for 1934 was \$464.00 less than in 1933, or 2.55%. The total of the Benevolent Fund is \$388,000.00. The total income for benevolence including the per capita tax was \$22,000.00.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge Lessing of the Three Rings, Czecho-Slovakia. With reference to the application of the Grand Lodges of Bahia, Para and Paraiba in Brazil the Committee recommended that consideration be deferred until the condition of Masonry in Brazil becomes more clearly defined. As to an application for recognition from the Symbolic Grand Lodge of Germany with headquarters in Jerusalem, the Committee could not recommend that the request be complied with because the Grand Lodge could not exercise its sovereign jurisdiction but suggested that the profound sympathy of the Grand Lodge of Quebec be extended to the German brethren in exile.

The Review of correspondence is by M.W. Bro. E. A. Evans. In a foreword Brother Evans refers to a statement that the Grand Lodge of Maine had the largest number of Masons per capita of its population among all the states, and that 5.10% of its population were Masons. This statement he thinks is not correct as he finds that in Arkansas 6.10% of the population are Masons. He also gives interesting statistics of the percentage in many of the states and in Canada and deals at length with the number of Masons in Quebec considering the population from which membership is available. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1934 are very kindly reviewed with references to the address of the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. N. R. Craig, to the work of the Board of Benevolence, and the report of the Committee on the condition of Masonry.

QUEBEC

66th Annual Communication at Montreal, February 12th, 1936.
Grand Master M. A. Campbell. Lodges 93. Members 14,456. Loss 300.

Five Past Grand Masters were present and 42 Grand Jurisdictions were represented, among them Saskatchewan by R.W. Bro. G. S. Burrows. All but five of the constituent lodges were represented.

The brethren stood in silence for a brief period to pay tribute to the memory of His Majesty King George V. The Grand Master spoke of the life of the late king, stating that it "was unparelled in the history of the monarchs of the world for its genuine success, and for the loyalty, devotion and affection which he commended throughout the world." Appropriate resolutions having reference to the death of King George V and the accession of His Majesty King Edward VIII were submitted to the Grand Lodge and unanimously adopted.

The Grand Master made fitting reference to the death of M.W. Bro. Curtis Chipman, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, who died in Boston in October, 1935. M.W. Bro. Chipman visited the Grand Lodge of Quebec at the last Annual Communication.

The Grand Master paid an extended tribute to M.W. Bro. Allan P. Shatford, who passed away during the year. M.W. Bro. Shatford was Grand Master in 1923-24, and had occupied many important Masonic offices. He was distinguished as a scholar, as a churchman, and was interested and active in social problems of all kinds. He was an inspiration to the brethren not only in Quebec but in many other jurisdictions.

The Grand Master reported that no new lodges had been formed during his term of office and that on account of the depression he had rather discouraged their formation.

The Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. Rabbi Julius Berger, delivered an address on "The Master Builder". He pointed out that Masons build for eternity and that the term "Master Builder" is the noblest title which can be bestowed upon any Mason. The assets of Grand Lodge amount to \$112,000.00. The receipts for the year in the General Fund were \$7,734.00 and the expenditure \$7,808.00 or a deficit of \$73.00. There was expended on benevolence the sum of about \$6,000.00.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. E. A. Evans. In a foreword Bro. Evans notes the expressions of various Grand Masters as to the future progress of Masonry and states that the loss in membership in the United States was 26% less than last year, and in Canada 12% less. He also refers to the discussion of political subjects due to unrest in the world and regrets this as a distinct departure from Ancient Usage. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1935 are very kindly referred to. Reference is made to the report of the Committee on Condition of Masonry and to the Review of Correspondence.

RHODE ISLAND

146th Annual Communication at Providence May 18th, 1936. Grand Master James A. Tillinghast. Lodges 43. Members 17,046. Loss 416. A Special Communication was held at Pawtucket on October 13th, 1935, for the purpose of laying the corner stone of the Park Place Congregational Church.

The Semi-Annual Communication was held at Providence on November 18th, 1935. The Grand Master reported that he found an enthusiastic co-operative spirit existing between Grand Lodge and all the subordinate lodges. He emphasized the fact that the reputation of the institution among the uninitiated is based upon the acts of the brethren performed outside the lodge and he counselled the brethren to lend a helping hand to brothers in need and to those who are aged, ill or disappointed and thus carry out the tenets of Masonry. He advised the building up of permanent funds so that lodges would be financially able

to extend relief consistent with the need and stated that there had been general adoption of the principle by the lodges that fees received for initiation should be considered in the nature of a trust to be held for the benefit of the candidates and future Masons. He expressed the opinion that a lodge which is just able to make ends meet is a doubtful asset to the institution for this condition implies an inability to perform the noble functions of the Fraternity and at the same time sends forth a rumour of weakness which is reflected in the general reputation of the institution.

At the 146th Annual Communication on May 18th, 1936, the Grand Master of Massachusetts, M.W. Bro. Claude L. Allen, was present and also M.W. Bro. William M. Brown, Past Grand Master of Virginia, and M.W. Bro. Walter E. Ranger, Past Grand Master of Vermont. 13 Past Grand Masters were present.

In his address the Grand Master stated that the great need of the institution was to consider carefully and constructively three corner stones, namely, strength, security and service.

Reference was made to gambling devices and lotteries, the Grand Master stating that it is a deplorable thought that any organization composed of Freemasons should be willing to jeopardise the reputation of the institution by resorting to lotteries or games of chance. He called attention to the fact that the subject was discussed at the Conference of Grand Masters.

In referring to the loss in membership the Grand Master stated that the total loss for six years was 1,983 or just over 10% of the maximum membership of 19,132 on April 30th, 1931.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence recommended that favourable recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge of Norway and the National Grand Lodge of Sweden.

M.W. Bro. Albert Knight was elected Grand Master for the ensuing year.

SCOTLAND

A Quarterly Communication was held in Edinburgh on the 6th day of February, 1936. Grand Master Sir Iain Colquhoun of Colquhoun and Luss.

When Grand Lodge assembled the brethren stood and the Grand Master announced that on the occasion of the death of His Majesty King George V he despatched a telegram in the following terms:

"All Freemasons under the Scottish Constitution at home and abroad humbly offer their deepest sympathy and heart-felt condolence to His Majesty on the death of their beloved King."

The Grand Master presented a Past Grand Master's jewel to the immediate Past Grand Master, Lord Saltoun, stating that it was presented with the best wishes of every Freemason in Scotland. He complimented Lord Saltoun on the zeal and energy he had displayed during his two years in office. Lord Saltoun in reply spoke of his happy memories of the past two years in meeting the Masons in every part of Scotland. The Grand Committee met on February 20th and also on April 23rd. At these meetings reports were received from the Committee of Masonic Benevolence and the Annuity Board. From April 15th, 1935, to April 18th, 1936, the lodges, home and overseas, contributed the sum of £5,182 to the various charitable funds.

A Quarterly communication was held on April 6th, 1936, in Freemason's Hall, Edinburgh.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Grand Master the Honourable Mr. Justice Napier. Lodges 157. Members 13,627. Loss 216. This Grand Lodge was inaugurated on April 17th, 1884, with a membership of 2,061. During its history since that time there has been a continuous annual increase in membership until the last five years in which period the membership has decreased from 15,008 in 1931 to 13,627 in 1935.

The half-yearly Communication was held at Adelaide on October 16th, 1935. The Board of General Purposes, in referring to the membership, stated that there had been a gradual stabilization. There were six more initiations than in 1934 and more than in any year since 1930. There were 1,123 names removed in 1934 and 944 in the year 1935.

The Board of General Purposes also made reference to the appointment of a former Grand Master of South Australia, Sir Alexander Hore Ruthven as Governor General of Australia, and stated that the appointment had been received by the brethren with expressions of undisguised satisfaction.

The Grand Master spoke of programmes of entertainment in the lodges. He said that the dignified ritual of the Craft was the only authorized expression of its ideals and aspirations and cautioned the brethren that the subject of any lecture delivered in a lodge should be one of Masonic interest. He advised against turning a lodge into something like a literary society. He also referred to the presence of strangers at the festive board for the purpose of furnishing a programme and is of the opinion that they should only be present during the period required for their part in the programme.

The Assistant Grand Secretary gave a sketch of the formation and development of the Grand Lodge of England from 1717 to 1813. He referred to the first Grand Lodge formed from the four old lodges of which Anthony Sayer was the first Grand Master. He spoke of the Coming of the Ancients and of the Great Reunion of the Moderns and the Ancients brought about by the Duke of Kent and the Duke of Sussex, sons of George III, who it seemed formed an Inner Conclave and whose prestige brought about the Union of 1813.

The Annual Communication was held at Adelaide on April 5th, 1936. The Board of General Purposes reported sending a message of sympathy and devotion on the occasion of the death of His Majesty King George V. A letter was sent to all the lodges suggesting that at the first regular meeting the Master should formally announce the death of the late Sovereign and call upon the brethren to assume an attitude of reverence for a period of two minutes. It was also suggested that for the following three meetings the festive boards should be so conducted as to eliminate any indication of levity.

At the Fourth Australasian Masonic Conference basic principles for Grand Lodge recognition were agreed upon. These are the same as those published by the Grand Lodge of England in 1929 and were recommended by the Conference for adoption by all the Grand Lodges.

The Honourable Mr. Justice Napier was again chosen Grand Master.

The Review of Correspondence is prepared by the representatives of the respective jurisdictions. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1935 are very briefly but kindly reviewed by Bro. M. C. Moore, the Saskatchewan representative.

SOUTH CAROLINA

199th Annual Communication at Columbia, on March 11th and 12th, 1936. Grand Master Joseph E. Hart. Lodges 278. Members 17,056.

Loss 790. Seven Past Grand Masters were present and 45 Grand Jurisdictions were represented, among them Saskatchewan by M.W. Bro. Joseph E. Hart, the Grand Master. 269 constituent lodges were represented.

The Grand Master reported that the outlook for Masonry in South Carolina was decidedly brighter, that there was a renewed interest and a greatly improved financial position.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington in February, 1936, and a number of Grand Lodge officers accompanied him. He spoke highly of the benefit to be derived from these meetings.

A Committee was appointed during the year to make arrangements for the 200th Anniversary of the Grand Lodge which will be celebrated in 1937. This Committee made a lengthy report during the Communication.

The Grand Secretary recommended the revocation of the charters of two lodges which had not filed reports for three years. Four lodges surrendered their charters during the year.

A Special Communication was held at Lancaster on June 4th, 1935, for the purpose of dedicating the new Masonic Hall of Jackson Lodge No. 53.

The proceedings contain a memorial to M.W. Bro. I. C. Blackwood, who was Grand Master in 1930. The deceased Grand Master was not only prominent in Masonry but he occupied during his life many positions in the public life of South Carolina.

A Committee appointed last year to select a design for fifty-year buttons reported that they had selected a design and that the buttons were being made. The buttons will be presented to every Master Mason in South Carolina who has been a Mason for 50 years.

The Review of Correspondence is by Bro. Henry Collins. In a foreword Bro. Collins refers to the fact that the present Grand Master, Joseph E. Hart, succeeded his Brother, O. Frank Hart, and was installed by him, and states that this was the first time in the history of Masonry in America when a Grand Master was succeeded by his brother. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1935 are very fully and very kindly referred to. The remarks of the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. T. W. Sutherland as to the need of Masonry in the world are quoted and also a portion of the report of the Trustees of the Benevolent Fund.

SOUTH DAKOTA

62nd Annual Communication at Huron, June 9th and 10th, 1936. Grand Master M. E. Crockett. Lodges 177. Members 16,048. Loss 501.

The Roll of Past Grand Masters was called when 15 answered to their names. They were welcomed by the Grand Master and were invited to seats in the East. A distinguished visitor was M.W. Bro. E. G. McKeown, Past Grand Master of Minnesota.

An Emergent Communication was held at Tripp on April 3rd, 1936, for the purpose of dedicating a new Masonic Temple.

The Grand Master expressed gratification at the steady improvement in the activities of the Craft throughout the year. Many lodges showed increased activity, there was increased attendance and a spirit of progress prevailed. Two lodges surrendered their charters during the year. 11 lodges are in arrears with their Grand Lodge dues.

Bro. Rev. F. W. Bruins delivered an address on the subject "Why Masonry Lives". The keynote of his address was that Masonry lives

because it is essentially the expression of man's spiritual growth. Bro. Frank L. Eversull, the President of Huron College, also gave an address on the subject "The Evolution of Freemasonry in America" in which he traced the development of Masonry from early times.

M.W. Bro. Samuel G. Mortimer was chosen Grand Master for 1936-37. There is no review of correspondence.

TENNESSEE

123rd Annual Communication at Nashville, January 27th and 28th, 1937. Grand Master William R. Holland. Lodges 421. Members 37,023. Loss 654. 16 Past Grand Masters were present and 396 lodges were represented, there being 25 not represented.

The Grand Master attended most of the 21 district meetings which were held during the year and is of the opinion that the Fraternity has made forward and permanent strides. Two lodges were consolidated during the year and two charters were suspended. The corner stones of 4 public buildings were laid. The Grand Master made no rulings during the year. Many communications were received asking for advice but they were all disposed of by referring to the provisions of the Code dealing with the matters in question. The Grand Master made extended reference to the Masonic Home and to the work of the Board of Control. He stated that the Board was rendering an outstanding service to the Fraternity. The General Fund showed a substantial increase for the year. The operating expense of the Masonic Home amounted to \$73,962.00, which was slightly less than the revenue available for the purpose.

The Roll of Grand Representatives was called and the Grand Master asked them to convey the good wishes of the Grand Lodge of Tennessee to their respective jurisdictions.

The sum of \$75,000.00 was appropriated for the maintenance of the Widows' and Orphans' Home, the amount to be paid in 12 equal monthly instalments.

The lodge system of Masonic Education which is practised in many jurisdictions was highly commended and the opinion expressed that more attention should be paid to initiates. It was freely stated that only a small percentage of Masons in the jurisdiction gave sufficient time and study to Freemasonry to know much about its history, its philosophy and its symbolism.

Official recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Sweden.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. John T. Peeler, Past Grand Master. 55 Jurisdictions are reviewed, among them Saskatchewan for 1936. There are kindly references to the address of the Grand Master and to the Review of Correspondence.

TEXAS

101st Annual Communication at Waco, December 2nd and 3rd, 1936. Grand Master W. M. Weathered. Lodges 906. Members 95,163. Loss 9,981. A Special Communication was held at Denton on December 24th, 1935, for the purpose of conducting the funeral service of M.W. Bro. S. M. Bradley, Past Grand Master. A Special Communication was also held at Houston on April 21st, 1936. Grand Lodge convened in the Lodge Room of Holland Lodge No. 1, and at 1.30 o'clock proceeded to the San Jacinto Battleground for the purpose of dedicating the Masonic Monument commemorating the part played by the brethren in laying the corner stone of the Republic of Texas. The Grand Master gave a most interesting historical address on this occasion, referring to the year 1836 when the

independence of Texas was declared and to the fact that 19 out of the 58 signers of the Declaration of Independence were Masons and 87 out of 783 soldiers who fought at San Jacinto were Masons.

Prior to the opening of Grand Lodge the brethren of Waco presented a very entertaining programme at which the Grand Secretary presided. 16 Past Grand Masters were present. When the roll of Past Grand Masters was called R.W. Bro. B. E. Loney, District Deputy Grand Master of Denton answered to the name of M.W. Bro. S. M. Bradley deceased and paid a lengthy tribute to the work of this distinguished brother who was Grand Master in 1906.

The Grand Master in referring to the desire of many to make Masonry a modern institution and to make it take a part in partizan politics made a statement which I think should be taken to heart by many of us at the present time:

"When Masonry becomes a speaking fraternity, instead of an acting fraternity, its doom will be sealed. When Masons have to declare to the world that they are Masons by the badge they wear, instead of the lives they live, and the work they do, its usefulness as a fraternity will have terminated. When Masonry becomes the pawn of politicians, its right to exist will be forfeited."

Reference was made to life memberships, the Grand Master stating that many lodges are experiencing unpleasant financial conditions by granting them.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and addressed the Conference on the subject, "The Advantages or Disadvantages of a Board of General Purposes." He stated the Conference is invaluable to the Grand Lodge of Texas as much profit is derived from the exchange of ideas with other jurisdictions. The Grand Master made reference to Dual Memberships and the situation which exists when a member is suspended from one lodge for non-payment of dues and is in good standing in another. He pointed out that it was a simple matter for a dual member to secure his demit from one lodge and maintain his standing in another and advises that the law permitting the present anomalous position be amended.

Extended reference to Mexican Masonry was made by the Grand Master and to the fact that the Grand Lodge of Texas recognizes only one Grand Lodge in Mexico, namely, The York Grand Lodge, which is not Mexican but is English speaking. Several Mexican Grand Lodges encroach upon the jurisdiction of Texas and charter lodges and the Grand Master is of the opinion that the Committee on Foreign Correspondence should carefully investigate the whole Mexican situation to see whether the other Mexican Grand Lodges are worthy of recognition and whether recognition should be withdrawn from The York Grand Lodge until Mexico settles its own troubles.

There were two consolidations during the year and the charters of 15 lodges were suspended. Buttons were presented to all Masons who were present who had been Master Masons for 50 years or more. Presentation was made by M.W. Bro. Frank C. Jones, Past Grand Master.

13,010 were suspended for non-payment of dues.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence, after investigation as requested by the Grand Master during the year, advised that the recognition given to The York Grand Lodge of Mexico in 1927 be withdrawn and that recognition be extended to Independent Grand Lodge Cosmos of Chihuahua. There are 17 Grand Lodges in Mexico in the various States, each claiming jurisdiction in their respective states, and none of them recognize the York Grand Lodge which claims jurisdiction throughout Mexico. The report of the Committee was adopted.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Fly, Past Grand Master. 66 jurisdictions are reviewed, among them Saskatchewan for 1936. There are references to the address of the Grand Master, to the Report of the Committee on Masonic Education, and a very kind statement with reference to the review of correspondence by the writer.

VERMONT

143rd Annual Communication at Burlington, June 10th and 11th, 1936. Grand Master Julius C. Thomas. Lodges 103. Members 17,584. Loss 402. 9 Past Grand Masters were present and 90 constituent lodges were represented. Among the distinguished visitors were M.W. Bro. J. D. McFayden, Grand Master of Quebec, and also M.W. Bro. Walter W. Williamson, the Grand Secretary of Quebec. 45 Grand Jurisdictions were represented, among them Saskatchewan by M.W. Bro. Thomas, the Grand Master.

The Grand Master, in referring to criticism that the Masons were not taking care of their dependents stated that in the United States Masons were spending \$75,000.00 per day for this purpose. He also said that no deserving case in Vermont had been neglected and that there were not now as many calls for assistance as in recent years. There is a Charity Fund of \$72,000.00.

19 emblems were presented during the year to those who had been members of the Fraternity for 50 years.

M.W. Bro. Rev. William J. Ballou was elected Grand Master for the year 1936-37.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Rev. A. S. Harriman. In a foreword Bro. Harriman states that this is his thirteenth review. He finds the addresses of Grand Masters excelling those of previous years and thinks this is due to some extent to the modern movement for Masonic education. 67 jurisdictions are reviewed, among them Saskatchewan's proceedings for 1935. The address of the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. T. W. Sutherland is quoted in part. Reference is also made to the report of the Committee on Foreign Relations and its remarks on the applications for recognition of certain Grand Lodges in Brazil. The writer's remarks on the subject of losses in membership in the review of correspondence for last year are also quoted.

VICTORIA

Grand Master W. Warren Kerr. Lodges 505. Members at the end of 1934, 49,800. Loss 811. At the Quarterly Communication in Melbourne on March 20th, 1935, visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Tasmania, New South Wales, South Australia, New Zealand and Queensland.

The statement of the General Fund for the quarter ending December 31st, 1934, showed that the expenditure slightly exceeded the revenue but there is a balance in this fund of about £35,000.

One new temple was dedicated in 1934, making a total of 209 temples in the jurisdiction. Six new lodges were consecrated.

The retiring Grand Master delivered a short address in which he expressed his thanks for the many acts of courtesy shown him during his three year term of office and paid a tribute to the loyalty and efficiency of all Grand Lodge officers. He referred to the design of Freemasonry as being threefold: (1) To perfect the character of the individual. (2) To make a contribution to the intellectual, moral and spiritual forces of the world. (3) To stimulate courage and faith.

His Excellency Lord Huntingfield, the Grand Master elect, was installed and addressed Grand Lodge thanking the brethren for the honour conferred upon him and making reference to a number of his predecessors both in the post of Grand Master and in that of Governor.

The revenue for the Masonic Home exceeded the expenditure by £361 in 1934. The cost of maintenance was about £3,400. There is an Endowment Fund for the Homes of £22,500. and a Benevolent Fund of £170,000.

At the Quarterly Communication on June 19th, 1935, Saskatchewan was represented by V.W. Bro. R. G. Ball.

A recommendation of the Board of General Purposes to erect a hospital to provide for 60 beds and the accommodation of 38 nurses at a cost of approximately £80,000 was unanimously adopted. Architects have been instructed to proceed with plans.

At the Quarterly Communication on December 18th, 1935, His Excellency the Earl of Huntingfield was chosen Grand Master and thanked the brethren for again honouring him. He stated that he had enjoyed his visits to the country lodges and looked forward to many further visits.

The Review of Correspondence was presented by R.W. Bro. William Stewart. 29 jurisdictions are reviewed but Saskatchewan is not among them. The reviews are prepared by the Grand Representatives of the various jurisdictions. In a foreword the losses in membership are referred to but it is stated that there appears to be in general a healthy financial condition among the various jurisdictions.

VIRGINIA

158th Annual Communication at Richmond, February 11th, 12th and 13th, 1936. Grand Master, Rev. Thomas W. Hooper. Lodges 339. Members 40,492. Loss 1,155. An Emergent Communication was held at Richmond on December 7th, 1935, for the purpose of laying the corner stone of the Infirmary Building at the Masonic Home, the gift of Bro. Dr. Robert S. Barrett of Alexandria. Six Past Grand Masters were present at the Annual Communication. Among the distinguished visitors were the Grand Masters of West Virginia, the District of Columbia and North Carolina. 54 Grand Jurisdictions were represented, among them Saskatchewan by Bro. J. Lew Brown.

Last year it was decided to prepare a Code of the decisions of Grand Masters which had been approved by Grand Lodge. The work was done by M.W. Bro. William L. Davis and is proving of very valuable assistance to the lodges in matters involving Masonic law.

The Grand Master stated that the thing which, as individuals, they needed more than anything else is Masonic information. For the purpose of creating a desire for information a Committee was appointed headed by M.W. Bro. William M. Brown. The Committee reported, making suggestions as to the best means of educating the Fraternity. Their work during the year consisted of preparation of articles for circulation among the brethren. M.W. Bro. W. M. Brown is at present engaged in the preparation of an extensive history of Masonry in Virginia.

The sum of \$95,000.00 was expended on the maintenance of the Masonic Home and the estimate for 1936-37 is \$91,000.00.

The loss in membership was substantially less in 1935 than for several years preceding. In 1935 it was 1,155, in 1934 1,908, in 1933 2,061, and in 1932 1,732. Four lodges surrendered their charters and one new lodge was constituted during the year.

The Review of Correspondence is by Bro. James M. Clift. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1935 are very fully and kindly dealt with.

M.W. Bro. L. P. Harrell is Grand Master for 1936-37.

WASHINGTON

79th Annual Communication at Tacoma, June 16th and 17th, 1936. Grand Master Walter H. Steffey. Lodges 266. Members 41,010. Loss 1,219. 19 Past Grand Masters were present and all the constituent lodges except 25 were represented. 52 Grand Jurisdictions were represented, among them Saskatchewan by Bro. John M. Roberts. Among the distinguished visitors were the Grand Masters of Oregon and Idaho. A civic welcome was extended by Bro. George A. Smitley, the Mayor of Tacoma.

The maintenance of the Masonic Home cost \$57,000.00. There are 167 residents in the home.

On December 27th, 1935, the Grand Master opened a Special Communication of Tanana Lodge No. 162, in Seattle, for the purpose of installing the Worshipful Master Elect. Tanana Lodge is in Alaska and the Grand Master performed the installation ceremony because the Master Elect was in Seattle at the time, the object being to enable the lodge to function without interruption. The Grand Secretary reported a loss in members of 1,219 and in doing so stated that the peak of membership was reached in 1929 when the total was 49,421, there having been a loss of 8,411 since that date. He is of the opinion that there are signs of improvement and he feels that the Fraternity will attain a greater membership before many years go by.

Applications for recognition by certain Mexican and Brazilian Grand Lodges were, on the recommendation of the Committee on Foreign Relations, held over for further consideration. Fraternal greetings were conveyed by telegram to the Grand Lodge of the Province of Saskatchewan meeting at the City of Saskatoon.

M.W. Bro. Ralph E. Tiede was chosen Grand Master for the year 1936-37. The Grand Orator, R.W. Bro. James B. Kinne, in discussing Masonry, stated that it was an active, living principle, that it was founded upon the doctrine of the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man, and that it was a broad system of ethics teaching service to humanity.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Walter F. Meier. In a foreword Bro. Meier states that since the organization of the Grand Lodge of Washington in 1858 ten brothers had served as foreign correspondents and that the honour of following in their footsteps was highly appreciated by him. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1935 are given lengthy and kindly reference with quotations from the address of the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. T. W. Sutherland and the report of the Committee on Benevolence, and the Committee on Masonic Education. In an afterword Bro. Meier states that everywhere in the Masonic world there appears to be a spirit of optimism that there is a definite check in the loss in membership and that soon there will be a gradual restoration to the ranks.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Grand Master Fred A. McMullen. A Quarterly Communication was held at Boulder on August 22nd, 1935. R.W. Bro. E. C. Rosman, District Grand Master of the Gold Fields District, Grand Lodge of Scotland, was a distinguished visitor. In addressing Grand Lodge the Grand Master stated that the Quarterly Communication held each year on the Gold Fields has always been a time of pleasure to the local brethren as well as to brethren from other parts of the jurisdiction.

Immediately upon learning of the death of M.W. Bro. Lord Amptill, The Pro Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England, the Grand Master forwarded a cable to the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England as follows:

"Western Australia deeply sympathizes with your Grand Lodge in the loss by the death of the Pro Master."

A letter acknowledging the cable and expressing thanks on behalf of the Grand Lodge of England was received by the Grand Secretary.

Quarterly Communications were held at Perth on November 28th, 1935, and February 27th, 1936. At the Communication in February the Grand Master made reference to the death of His Majesty King George V stating that scarcely nine months had elapsed since the people of the Empire rejoiced in the celebration of the 25th anniversary of his reign and that now the same people were plunged into deep and heartfelt sorrow. He announced that the Craft in Western Australia would observe mourning until April 30th.

The Annual Communication was held at Perth on May 28th, 1936. The Grand Master reported the consecration of two new lodges during the past quarter. In saying farewell to the brethren he stated that through all his Masonic life he had enjoyed great happiness in Freemasonry and at no time more than during the three years he had been Grand Master.

In the report of the Grand Inspector reference is made to the matter of arrears of dues and the opinion expressed that if a brother is willing and unable to pay his dues the lodge should not allow his debt to increase; on the other hand if he is negligent it is better for all concerned that he be dealt with in accordance with lodge bylaws.

The Widows and Orphans and Aged Freemasons Fund amounts to £45,463. During the thirty years since the Fund was organized grants aggregating £43,346 have been paid. The amount of £4,108 was dispersed during the year. There is also a benevolent fund which exceeds £23,000 and the aggregate of all funds is in excess of £100,000.

The Grand Representatives of sister jurisdictions were presented to the Grand Master by M.W. Bro. A. C. McCallum who conveyed the greetings of all the Grand Lodges represented. The Grand Master in reply asked the representatives to convey to their respective jurisdictions the greetings of the Grand Lodge of Western Australia. Saskatchewan was represented by V.W. Bro. Rev. R. H. Moore. M.W. Bro. Dr. James S. Battye was installed as Grand Master and in thanking the brethren stated that he hoped to be able to follow in the footsteps of a distinguished succession of Grand Masters in Western Australia.

The Review of Correspondence is by R.W. Bro. James W. E. Archdeacon. There is a splendid foreword in which reference is made to the death of the late King and of two distinguished Masons in England, Lord Ampthill and Lord Cornwallis, to the difficulties encountered in the Grand Lodges of the United States with respect to the repeal of the 18th Amendment, to Masons and prohibition, to public installations, and to the matter of lodge attendance and Masonic education. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1935 are very fully reviewed, reference being made to the address of the Grand Master, to the report of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry and to the report of the Committee on Masonic Education.

WEST VIRGINIA

72nd Annual Communication at Charleston, October 14th and 15th, 1936. Grand Master Wilson H. S. White. Lodges 165. Members 30,035. Loss 663. 16 Past Grand Masters were present and 45 Grand Jurisdictions were represented, among them Saskatchewan by Bro. T. G. Strickler. The Grand Representatives were welcomed by the Grand Master and asked to extend fraternal greetings to the Grand Lodges of their respective jurisdictions.

Special Communications were held during the year for the purpose of conducting funerals of M.W. Bro. Samuel T. Spears and M.W. Bro. Clyde W. Dutton, Past Grand Masters. Four Special Communications were held for the purpose of laying the corner stones of churches and other public buildings, and one was held for the purpose of laying the corner stone of the New Masonic Temple of Concord Lodge No. 48, at Athens. The Grand Master made reference to the matter of the consolidation of lodges and advised that provision be made so that it could be brought about. At present there is no provision for it and all that members can do is to surrender the charters of the lodges and affiliate with other lodges.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters in Washington in February, 1936. He reported that the Conference had proved of great value to all Grand Masters and thinks that it would be most unfortunate if it were discontinued.

The Grand Secretary made extended reference to the remission of dues and pointed out that many of the lodges had requested a reduction in the Grand Lodge dues feeling they could not pay dues for those who did not pay their dues to the subordinate lodge. He advised careful consideration of every candidate's ability to pay dues.

The maintenance of the Masonic Home cost \$35,620.00 and the receipts amounted to \$36,634.00. There were 90 residents in the Home at the close of the year. The Trustees of Grand Charity Fund disbursed \$4,419.00 and the Committee on Education made loans amounting to \$4,975.00.

The Review of Correspondence is by M. W. Bro. Lewis N. Tavenner, Past Grand Master. In a foreword Brother Tavenner notes the spirit of optimism which prevails among the jurisdictions and points out that a decrease in numbers is not necessarily a loss to Masonry. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1936 are very fully and very kindly referred to. There are references to the address of the Grand Master, to the Report of the Grand Secretary, and to the Report of the Trustees of the Benevolent Fund.

WISCONSIN

92nd Annual Communication at Madison, June 9th and 10th, 1936. Grand Master Robert O. Jaspersen. Lodges 312. Members 54,436. Loss 1,887. 13 Past Grand Masters were present and all of the Grand Officers. 308 of the 312 lodges were represented. The Past Grand Masters were duly received and welcomed by the Grand Master. Bro. William G. Hutchinson, aged 90, who has attended Grand Lodge for thirty-seven consecutive years, was present and was accorded the Grand Honours. 43 Grand Jurisdictions were present. The Grand Master reported an improvement in the morale and financial condition of the lodges. Bro. Willard A. Van Brunt passed away during the year. Bro. Van Brunt presented the land upon which the Masonic Home is located and also an endowment fund of \$200,000.00. The proceedings contain a memorial to this distinguished citizen and philanthropist.

A year ago this Grand Lodge voted a special assessment of 25 cents for Home Maintenance and 20 cents for charity. Considerable objection was taken but at the end of the year all but 11 lodges had paid the assessment. The Grand Master stated that the assessment served to tide Grand Lodge over a difficult period.

The Grand Master referred to "Debt-ridden lodges" as the result of building Temples and said that they were demonstrating the fact that

"peace, harmony and contentment disappear when debt comes in". In some instances non-Masonic bond holders were losing their money and also their faith in the honour and integrity of Masons. He expressed the belief that bondholders who were Masons should step aside and allow those who were not Masons to be first paid.

Early in the year Zor Temple at Madison adopted a money raising campaign involving lottery features. The Grand Master communicated with the Shrine and when the officers were informed of the illegality of the undertaking they promptly stopped it. The Grand Master complimented the Shriners of Wisconsin but stated that Shriners in some states were not reflecting credit upon the Craft.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Frank Jenks. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1935 are very fully referred to. Brother Jenks points out that 63 lodges were not represented and that no action was taken with regard to them. The writer should point out that conditions in recent years in some parts of our province have not been conducive to attendance at Grand Lodge on account of the expense involved to the lodges. Bro. Jenks has an "afterword" to his report in which he refers to the question, "Is Masonry slipping?" He thinks that Masons must be aroused to a real interest in the Fraternity and that by means of education the beauty and majesty of the Fraternity will come to be felt by every member.

WYOMING

62nd Annual Communication at Sheridan, August 24th and 25th, 1936. Grand Master William J. Hagans. Lodges 48. Members 7,806. Loss 364. A Special Communication was held at Warland on September 24th, 1935, for the purpose of laying the corner stone of a new Post Office. Another Special Communication was held at Laramie on November the 4th, 1935, for the purpose of laying the corner stone of the Liberal Arts Building of the University of Wyoming.

14 Past Grand Masters were present at the Annual Communication and 48 constituent lodges were represented. Among the distinguished visitors were W. Bro. Carl H. Claudy, Executive Secretary of the Masonic Service Association, and the Grand Masters of Nebraska, Utah, Montana and North Dakota.

The Grand Master reported that he visited all the constituent lodges, that he was well received and treated with the respect due the position of Grand Master.

There is a Masonic Home Fund amounting to \$62,781.00. The receipts for the year were \$7,725.00, and there was paid out for relief cases the sum of \$5,510.00.

The proceedings contain a statement of the Morgan Mystery of 1826, which was prepared by the Grand Historian, Bro. Alfred J. Mokler. The statement deals with the history and character of William Morgan, his efforts to discredit Masonry and the results upon Masonry of the story connected with his death. Reference is also made to the many prominent men in the United States who opposed Masonry in the years between 1826 and 1838.

The Review of Correspondence is by Bro. Joseph M. Lowndes, the Grand Secretary. In presenting the review Bro. Lowndes states that he can only refer to a few of the many worthy activities being carried on by the sister Grand Jurisdictions. He also makes general reference to games of chance, the difficulty between the Grand Lodge of the Philippines and the Grand Lodges of Massachusetts, England, Ireland and Scotland, and to conditions in Brazil. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1935 are very fully and kindly reviewed.

YORK GRAND LODGE OF MEXICO

75th Annual Communication at the City of Mexico on April 18th, 1935. Grand Master Elliott B. Turnbull, Lodges 15. Members 756. Loss 19. 8 Past Grand Masters were present and 14 lodges were represented. 42 Grand Jurisdictions were represented but Saskatchewan was not among them.

At the beginning of the year the Grand Master feared that there would be a deficit in the operating expense but he was able to report that the position of the General Fund was much the same as in the preceding year. This was accomplished by cutting down the cost of the printing of the proceedings and the travelling expenses of the Grand Master. The publication of the proceedings was greatly delayed owing to the unfortunate ill health of the Grand Secretary.

The Grand Master expressed his pleasure because of the recognition of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico by the Grand Lodge of New Zealand.

In referring to the slight loss in membership, the Grand Master stated that owing to the strict regulations which were being enforced by the Government with respect to foreigners coming into the country to make permanent homes, he realised that for the present they could not expect any marked increase in membership and would be fortunate if they could retain the members they had.

The receipts in the General Fund amounted to \$2,699.00 and the disbursements to \$2,859.00, a deficit of \$160.00. There is a cash balance in the General Fund of \$548.00.

The Committee on Foreign Relations recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge of Lessing of the Three Rings (Czecho-Slovakia), the Grand Lodge of Rio de Janeiro, and the Grand Lodge of Paraiba.

M.W. Bro. Walter S. Turnpugh was elected Grand Master for the year 1935-36.

YORK GRAND LODGE OF MEXICO

76th Annual Communication at Monterrey, April 9th, 1936. Grand Master Walter S. Turnpugh. Lodges 15. Members 727. Loss 44. 6 Past Grand Masters were present and 12 constituent lodges were represented. 26 Grand Jurisdictions were represented. Among the distinguished visitors were M.W. Bro. W. M. Fly, Past Grand Master of Texas, and R.W. Bro. G. S. Hoover, District Deputy Grand Master of New Mexico. During the year the list of Grand Representatives was altered by naming as far as possible representatives who either come from the respective jurisdictions or have intimate connections with them through visits or otherwise.

Recognition was extended to the Grand Lodges of Paraiba and Rio de Janeiro in Brazil and to the Grand Lodge Lessing of the Three Rings.

Substantial progress has been made in the Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

In referring to the loss in membership of 44 the Grand Master stated there was no cause for alarm. He rather expects a further loss on account of the Government's attitude towards immigrants. Candidates have been initiated in several lodges and a much better spirit prevails. All the constituent lodges sent in their reports and paid their dues in full.

The Committee of Education in a very interesting report stated that the life of the institution depends upon education and upon the interest at all times of every member. They referred to the inconvenience under

which the Grand Lodge labours owing to the extent of the jurisdiction and the difficulty in keeping in contact with the lodges. M.W. Bro. Morris H. Kayser was elected Grand Master for 1936-37.

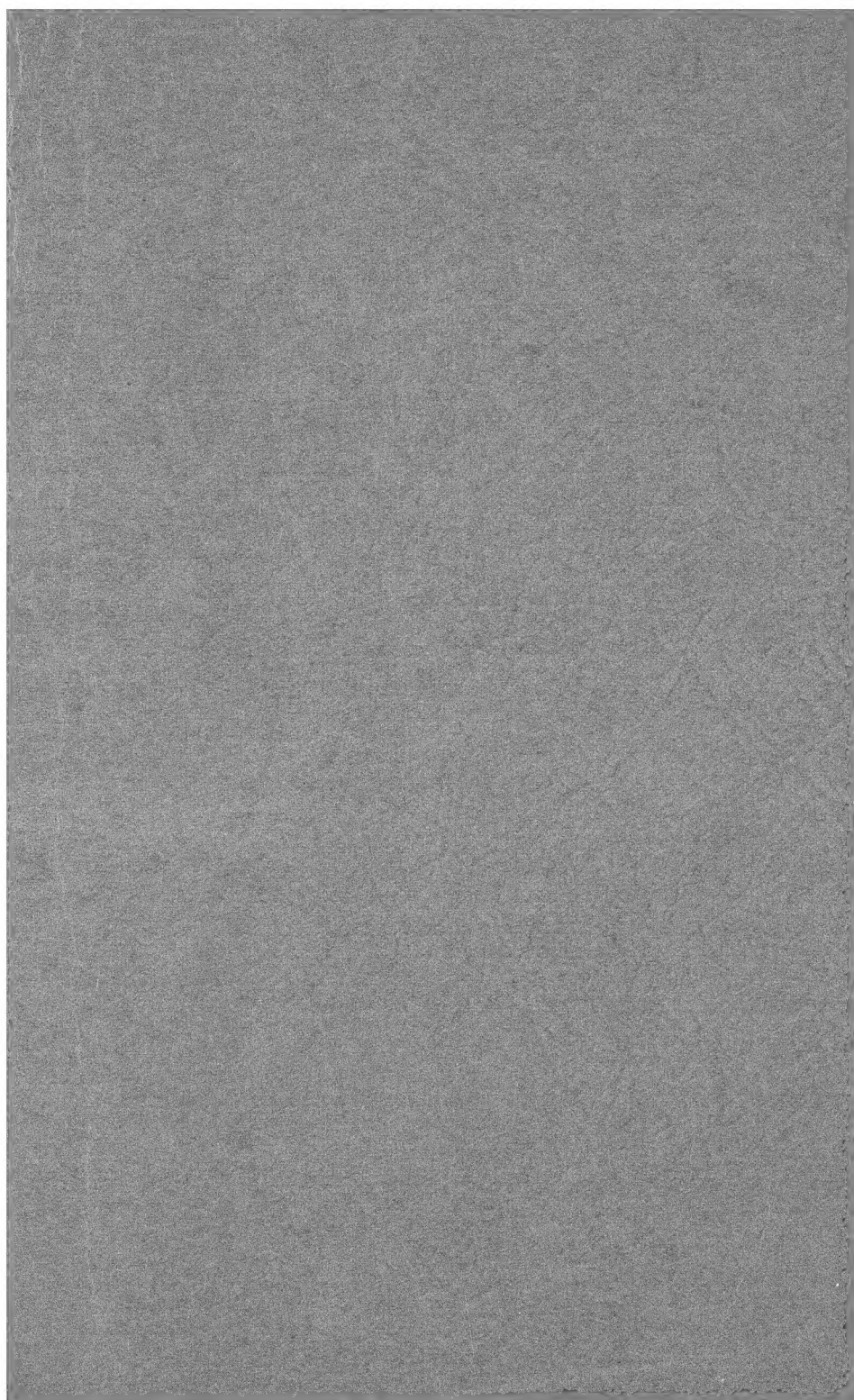
The Review of Correspondence is by the representatives of the various jurisdictions. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1936 are reviewed by M.W. Bro. H. N. Campbell. There are references to the rulings of the Grand Master and to the Benevolent Fund.

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V.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, Assistant Grand Secretary	Regina
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V.W. Bro. W. Nicol	Elfros
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